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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AMENDMENTS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE, TITLE 10 - ANIMALS (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS - 3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended amendments to Los Angeles County Code Title 10 - Animals, will update and streamline Title 10; provide a better process for regulating excessive animal noise; provide a reduced pet license fee for disabled military veterans; eliminate conflicts with state and federal laws; eliminate unnecessary language; enhance due process procedures during administrative hearings; and expand procedures to reunite lost pets with their owners. Additionally, in accordance with the County's Plain Language Initiative, this ordinance amends most sections using the County's Plain Language Initiative to make this Title more clear and practical for County residents.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Approve the Ordinance amending Title 10 Animals, of the Los Angeles County Code to amend various sections; and
- 2. Introduce, waive reading, and adopt the Ordinance.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING,

Adopt the enclosed Ordinance.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

In the past fifteen years, several sections of Title 10 have been updated to reflect Board policy, changes in law, and to enhance the safety and well-being of County residents. However, many other sections of Title 10 have remained unchanged for more than 50 years.

Title 10, which sets forth the laws regarding the keeping of animals in Los Angeles County, is the main enforcement tool for the Department of Animal Care and Control. Large portions of the ordinance are outdated, conflict with state and federal law, are very difficult to understand, and unnecessary. The ordinance also lacks key provisions to address certain animal related complaints and other issues concerning animals and people who care for them.

For example, Title 10 lacks an effective enforcement protocol for resolving complaints of excessive animal noise, and it is limited only to dogs. Complaints regarding other noisy animals, such as roosters, are difficult to resolve. This ordinance provides for a simpler process to address animal noise complaints and applies to all species of animals.

Each section has been reviewed for relevancy, redundancy, and compliance with state and federal laws. Case law regarding challenged animal control ordinances in other jurisdictions was reviewed to ensure additions to Title 10 would withstand legal challenge. The Department of Animal Care and Control and the Office of County Counsel have completed a comprehensive review of the entire ordinance to remove outdated and unnecessary language and add new provisions to enhance the safety of animals and the public.

In addition, the County's Plain Language Initiative was used in the crafting of these amendments in order to make the ordinance easier for residents to understand and for officers to enforce. The use of the Plain Language Initiative and the elimination of unnecessary and outdated language has reduced the ordinance length by 38 percent, creating a streamlined and comprehensible model ordinance.

This ordinance adds a reduced pet license fee for military veterans, updates language to be compliant with federal and state laws regarding service animals; eliminates unnecessary language; enhances due process procedures during administrative hearings; and expands procedures to reunite lost pets with their owners.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This ordinance overhaul supports Los Angeles County Strategic Plan Goal 1 - Operational Effectiveness. The ordinance overhaul creates a much more streamlined and user-friendly ordinance that uses Plain Language to clearly state the laws regarding animals, reducing the length of the ordinance by 38 percent. It adds many clarifications and enhancements to resolve previously unaddressed animal control matters. It is a much more effective document for animal control officers to use as they protect the people and animals of Los Angeles County. Other changes have brought Title 10 to be current with the Americans With Disabilities Act regarding the use of service animals.

This ordinance overhaul also supports Los Angeles County Strategic Plan Goal 2 - Community Support and Responsiveness. It creates a more effective animal noise resolution process, which will enhance residents' ability to live without unreasonably disturbing and offensive noise. Ordinance changes increase the efficiency of potentially dangerous dog cases by removing the need for an administrative hearing if the owner agrees to all conditions imposed by the Department. Dog owners and victims of dog attacks will have quicker resolution to their cases. This ordinance also recognizes the service provided to our country by military veterans by providing a reduced pet license fee for them.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Department does not anticipate any fiscal impact on the County.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The proposed ordinance makes a number of changes to update Title 10 to be consistent with state and federal law, removes unnecessary language which hampers the clear understanding of ordinance requirements, clarifies existing language for better comprehension, and uses the County's Plain Language Initiative to allow residents to better understand County law relating to the keeping of animals.

Prior to the enactment of adopting a new fee, Government Code Section 66018 requires a local agency to hold a public hearing at which oral or written presentations can be made. This ordinance reduces the annual license fee for dogs and cats owned by disabled veterans to \$7.50, which is the same reduced fee already charged to senior citizens. The Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors, in accordance with Section 6062(a) of the Government Code, published an official notice of the time and place of the public hearing, including a general explanation of the fee to be revised.

It is recommended that your Board approve the proposed Ordinance changes, including those listed below. This list is not exhaustive, as many Plain Language changes, some definitions, and other minor changes are not noted below but can be found in the revised ordinance:

- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.04.055 to reflect the correct area of law from which animal control officers receive their authority.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.04.060 B to relocate the stated violations in the applicable ordinance sections.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.04.070 to add a description of the geographic areas in which Title 10 will be enforced.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.08.075 to include Sundays as business days, as Department animal care centers are open for adoptions and other business on those days.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.08.090 to add a definition for "contact information."
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.08.115 to add a definition for "disabled veteran."
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.08.145 to remove the definition of "stables" because the Department does not license stables, and it conflicts with an existing definition in Los Angeles County Code Title 22.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.08.150 to expand the definition of guard or attack dog to mean any dog not residing in a private residence that is used to protect a person or property.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.08.215 to add a definition for "senior citizen."

- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.08.220 to add a definition for "service animal."
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.12.130 to clarify the Department is not responsible for removing dead animals weighing more than 150 pounds in beach areas; large numbers of animals that require specialized equipment or training; or from inaccessible areas.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.12.161 to remove the prohibition of stealing or driving cats away, as theft is already a crime.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.12.170 to delete this section as the director does not need ordinance authority to refer complaints to other departments.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.12.180 and §10.12.210 to combine and update language to be consistent with existing law regarding the right of entry for inspection.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.16.010 as it is not necessary to have an ordinance section to create a volunteer program.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.011 to delete this section allowing parties other than the Department to sell animal licenses as this is not practiced by the Department.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.020 to delete this section, as a definition for custodian exists in §10.08.095.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.035 to add "disabled veteran" as a person qualified to receive a discounted pet license.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.070 to reflect current state law requirements regarding rabies vaccinations when dogs or cats are disabled.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.090 to update service animal license requirements in accordance with state and federal law.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.110 to delete this section as the reduced price of pet licenses for spayed and neutered dogs and cats is already established by California Food and Agricultural Code §30804.5.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.125 to delete this section as the Director does have the authority to waive fees and at times it is necessary to refund an animal license fee.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.140 to delete this section as these licensing requirements are now located in §10.20.070.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.180 and §10.20.200 to combine the sections to require license tags to be worn for every animal subject to licensure, prohibit counterfeit licenses, and make plain language improvements.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.211, §10.20.212, §10.20.213, §10.20.214, and §10.20.215 to delete these sections as the requirements are already set forth in California Food and Agricultural Code §31751.3 and mandatory sterilization of cats was added to Title 10 on November 30, 2015.

- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.220 to change the minimum age at which dogs may be vaccinated against rabies, to comport with California Health and Safety Code §121690.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.20.262 because licensing services can be requested by contract cities pursuant to their contract for services with the Department.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.28.060 to provide a simpler and more complete list of exempt animals not required to be licensed by the Department.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.28.130 to extend an animal facility licensees right to an appeal from 5 days to 14 days to ensure better due process.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.28.140 to explain the hearing process, including acceptable evidence.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.28.150 because it is duplicative of §10.28.050.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.28.180 to remove subsections D and E as these subsections are too vague for enforcement purposes.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.28.210 to extend the time period from 5 to 14 days in which an animal facility licensee may submit a written request for a hearing before the business license commission, to ensure due process.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.32.020 to delete and move language regarding fenced or walled requirements for guard dogs to §10.20.320, where it is more appropriately located.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.32.030 to delete this section relating to dogs running at large on private property as the language is better located and now included in §10.32.010.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.32.060 to delete this section as it is unnecessary and animals along public highways is covered in various California Vehicle Code sections.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.32.070 to delete this section as it is duplicative of §10.40.010(A).
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.010, §10.36.020, §10.36.040, and §10.36.050 regarding the taking up of animals to combine these sections for plain language reasons.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.060 to delete this section as standard operating procedures do not need to be included in an ordinance.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.080 to delete this section as it is unnecessary since recordkeeping requirements are already described in California Food and Agricultural Code §32003.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.090 to expand the Department's requirement to notify owners of all species of animals, not just dogs and cats, that their animals are impounded.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.120 to expand the types of identification the Department may rely upon to notify owners their pets are impounded.

- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.170 to delete this section as the Department does not publish notices.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.180 to delete this section as impounding fees for all animals are included in the amended §10.36.160.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.210 to comply with revisions to changes in state law and allow pet owners to reclaim their dogs and cats upon agreeing to vaccinate them against rabies within 10 days.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.220 to clarify when an animal is deemed abandoned by its owner.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.240 to delete this section as it conflicts with state holding period requirements for animals.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.250 to extend the time in which an adopter may request an exchange or refund from 7 to 14 days.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.260 to expand the approved vaccines from only rabies to all necessary wellness vaccines that are given to animals at their impoundment to protect their health and well-being.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.300 to delete this language as the authority to practice veterinary medicine is already regulated by the California Business and Professions Code.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.310 to delete this language because it is duplicative of language in §10.36.120, §10.36.130, and §10.36.220.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.340, §10.36.360, §10.36.370, and §10.36.380 to delete these sections as spaying and neutering dogs for adoption is already set forth in California Food and Agricultural Code §30503.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.36.350 to provide for the return of spay/neuter deposits to pet owners within 60 days or for the forfeiture of the deposit to the County treasury.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.030 to expand the definition of vicious dog to include those dogs that were bred to produce fighting dogs.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.050 to remove authorization for owners of potentially dangerous or vicious dogs to temporarily restrain the dogs on chains.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.100 to require owners of potentially dangerous or vicious dogs to pay the fees and costs within 14 days after the dog is available for release.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.105 to allow the owner of a potentially dangerous dog to stipulate to an agreement in lieu of an administrative hearing, increasing the efficiency of resolving potentially dangerous dog cases.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.110 to remove the limit of scope of discovery and

shortening of time to produce records or witnesses in potentially dangerous or vicious dog hearings because there is not enough time to conduct discovery in the short time period before a hearing must be held.

- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.120 to remove the limit of scope of discovery and shortening of time to produce records or witnesses in courts hearing potentially dangerous or vicious dog appeals because there is not enough time to conduct discovery in the short time period before a hearing must be held.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.121 to clarify the time period in which the parties must be notified of the decision and judicial review of an administrative decision regarding potentially dangerous or vicious dog cases.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.130 G to remove the requirement that potentially dangerous or vicious dogs may be required to wear a bright reflective collar.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.130 H to deem potentially dangerous or vicious dogs whose owners have not paid their fees and costs and claimed them within 14 days of availability to be abandoned.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.37.160 to allow for the removal of a vicious dog determination for dogs seized from dog fighting operations, providing the dog is at least two years of age and the owner has had the dog for at least one year and demonstrates to the Director that the dog poses no threat to people or animals.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.40.020 and §10.40.030 to delete these sections as the sale and display of young rabbits or fowl are already regulated by California Penal Code §599.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code $\S10.40.050$ to delete this section because it is already addressed in $\S10.40.010$ K.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.40.060 to remove requirements from picking up dog waste, and add an administrative citation process to resolve complaints of animal noise.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.40.066 to add a new section clarifying waste removal requirements for pet owners.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.40.080 to place requirements on animal owners transporting wild animals in the County of Los Angeles.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.84.010, §10.84.020, and §10.84.030 to combine these three sections for plain language purposes and to provide for the care of orphaned or injured wildlife as authorized.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.86.010 to delete this section as the law regarding interference with police dogs is already set forth in California Penal Code §600.
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.90.010 to allow the Director to reduce or refund fees for undue hardship; extend the delinquency period for past due licenses from 10 to 30 days; and change language to comport with state and federal definitions of "service animals."
- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.90.010.I.A.4 to establish a reduced pet license fee for

disabled military veterans at \$7.50/year. The one-time charge for service animals was moved from 10.90.I.A.8. to 10.90.I.C.4.

- Amend Los Angeles County Code §10.90.010.I.A.5, §10.90.010.I.B.5, and §10.90.010.II.B.2 to extend the delinquency period for late pet licenses from 10 to 30 days.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The revised Title 10 ordinance includes many improvements to the process of enforcing laws regarding animals. A discounted pet license fee for disabled military veterans is added to recognize the sacrifices these veterans made in serving our country. Response and appeal times for administrative hearings and procedures are extended to ensure due process. An administrative review and owner agreement process is included to increase the efficiency of potentially dangerous dog case resolutions.

The use of the Plain Language Initiative has created a proposed ordinance that is much easier to understand. Replacing unnecessary legal jargon with plain language, and removing the redundant and unnecessary language, has reduced the ordinance length from 28,280 words to 17,613, a reduction of 38 percent. The ordinance is now better organized and easier to follow. Residents will be better able to understand and comply with the laws regarding animals. Officers will have a modern, straightforward ordinance to rely upon as they protect the people and animals of Los Angeles County. Animal noise complaints will be more readily resolved.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, is requested to return one adopted stamped Board letter to the Department of Animal Care and Control.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office County Counsel Executive Office, Board of Supervisors

ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends Title 10 – Animals of the Los Angeles County Code for the following purposes: to update and streamline Title 10; to add provisions regulating excessive animal noise; and to revise animal nuisance provisions. Additionally, in accordance with the County's *Plain Language Initiative*, this ordinance amends various sections using plain language to make this Title more understandable.

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ORDINANCE NO.	

An ordinance amending Title 10 - Animals of the Los Angeles County Code to update and streamline Title 10, to add provisions regulating excessive animal noise, and to revise animal nuisance provisions.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 10.04.010 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.04.010 Title of Division 1 provisions.

The ordinance set forth in Division 1 of this Title 10 shall be known as, and may be cited and referred to as, "the animal control ordinance."

SECTION 2. Section 10.04.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.04.020. References to a Amendments and a Additions.

Whenever Aany reference is made to any portion section of this Division 1, such reference applies to all amendments and additions thereto now or hereafter made.

SECTION 3. Section 10.04.030 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.04.030 Repealed ordinances not revived.

No ordinance repealed by Ordinance 4729 as originally adopted is revived by the amendment of Ordinance 4729 by Ordinance 9454.

SECTION 4. Section 10.04.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.04.040. Interpretation of ILanguage.

The present tense includes the past and future tenses; and the future, the present.

B.Each gender includes both genders unless otherwise stated.

C. The singular number includes the plural and the plural the singular.

SECTION 5. Section 10.04.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.04.050. Powers of dDeputies.

Whenever aA power-is granted to or a duty is-imposed upon the dDirector or other public officer, the power may be exercised or the duty may be performed by a deputy of the officer or by a legally authorized person authorized, pursuant to law, by the officer, unless this Division 1 expressly provides otherwise.

SECTION 6. Section 10.04.055 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.04.055. Authorization to i<u>l</u>ssue <u>nN</u>otices to <u>aA</u>ppear—Qualifications of <u>eOfficers</u>.

The dDirector may in hishas discretion to authorize any animal control officer who has the qualifications of a humane officer as set forth in Civil Code Section 607gcompleted the requirements of Penal Code section 832 to issue notices to appear in court pursuant tounder Penal Code Section 853.5, et seq. Such animal control officers shall not be authorized to take any person into custody even though the person to whom the notice is delivered does not give his or her written promise to appear in court. An animal control officer is not authorized to take a person into custody.

SECTION 7. Section 10.04.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.04.060. Violation—Penalty.

A. Any person violatingwho violates any of the provisions of this title is guilty of an infraction, unless another penalty is provided for in this titlestated. Misdemeanors are punishable under Penal Code section 19.

B. Violation of Sections.

10.12.190

10.12.200

10.20.280

10.20.310

10.28.060

10.28.280(C)

10.32.020

10.32.070

10.32.080

10.37.030

10.37.050(C)

10.37.060(F)

10.40.010

10.40.040

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of this title is a misdemeanor, punishable as set forth in Penal Code Section 19.

SECTION 8. Section 10.04.065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.04.065. Fees for <u>sS</u>ervices.

The fees and costs for animal-related services shallwill be determined annually by the Auditor-Controller, and will be posted in each shelteranimal care center and on the dDepartment's website.

SECTION 9. Section 10.04.070 is hereby added to read as follows:

10.04.070. Department Jurisdiction—Enforcement of Title 10.

Title 10 of the Los Angeles County Code is enforced in all unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles. Title 10, or portions of Title 10, will be enforced in contract cities as applicable.

SECTION 10. Section 10.08.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.010. Application of Definitions.

Whenever in Title 10 the following terms are used, they shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this chapter unless it is apparent from the context thereof that some other meaning is intended. Key terms used in Title 10 are defined in this chapter.

SECTION 11. Section 10.08.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.020. Animal.

"Animal" means any animal, poultrymammal, bird, reptile, fish, or any other dumb creatureamphibian.

SECTION 12. Section 10.08.021 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.021. Small a<u>A</u>nimal.

"Small animal" means any animal that weighs less than 250 pounds.

SECTION 13. Section 10.08.022 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.022. Large a<u>A</u>nimal.

"Large animal" means any animal that weighs 250 pounds or more.

SECTION 14. Section 10.08.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.030. Animal eExhibition.

"Animal exhibition" means any display containing one or more domestic or wild animals which are exposed to public view for entertainment, instruction or advertisement use of a domestic or wild animal for public entertainment, instruction, or advertisement.

SECTION 15. Section 10.08.031 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.031. Animal fFacility.

"Animal facility" means any lot, building, structure, enclosure or premises for used by any animal_related business or organization, including, but not limited to, a non-profit humane organization, animal facility (as defined in Section 10.08.175), a grooming shop, a pet shop, a boarding facility, and or a breeding facility, which is required to be licensed under Section 10.28.060.

SECTION 16. Section 10.08.032 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.032. Animal Facility Grade Card.

"Animal Facility Grade Card" means a card issued by the dDepartment, showing the letter grade earned by an animal facility, as reflected stated in the most recent Animal Facility Inspection Report. The Animal Facility Grade Card must be displayed in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.28.280.

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SECTION 17. Section 10.08.033 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.033. Animal Facility Inspection Report.

"Animal Facility Inspection Report" is<u>means</u> the report of the d<u>D</u>epartment reflectingstating the conditions existing at the facility at the time of the inspection. The letter grade received by the facility is based on the final score set forthstated in the Animal Facility Inspection Report.

SECTION 18. Section 10.08.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.040. Animal mMenagerie.

"Animal menagerie" means a place where wild animals are kept or maintained for any commercial-purpose, including places where wild animals are boarded, trained, or kept for hire.

SECTION 19. Section 10.08.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.050. Animal shelter Care Center.

"Animal sheltercare center" means a place where animals impounded by the dDepartment are placed for their humane care and keeping.

SECTION 20. Section 10.08.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.060. Approved rRabies vVaccine.

"Approved rabies vaccine" means a rabies vaccine-which is approved for use by the State of California Department of Public Health.

SECTION 21. Section 10.08.065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.065. Boarding fFacility.

"Boarding facility" means an animal facility used for the care and temporary boarding, (including day care,) of dogs, and cats, and other animals normally kept as pets, in return for money or other consideration, not including. Boarding facility does not include an animal hospital whichthat only boards animals receiving medical treatment.

SECTION 22. Section 10.08.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.070. Breeding f<u>Facility</u>.

"Breeding facility" means an animal facility—engaged in the business of breeding that breeds dogs, and cats, or other animals normally kept as pets, for sale or exchange, in return for—consideration.

SECTION 23. Section 10.08.075 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.075. Business <u>dD</u>ays.

"Business days" for purposes of Title 10, Division 1, are all days other than Sunday and legal holidays.

SECTION 24. Section 10.08.090 is hereby added to read as follows:

10.08.090. Contact Information.

"Contact information" means any available way used to contact a person or business, including address, phone number, facsimile number, and email address. **SECTION 25.** Section 10.08.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.100. Department.

"Department" means the <u>County of Los Angeles County Department of a Animal ecare and econtrol."</u>

SECTION 26. Section 10.08.115 is hereby added to read as follows:

10.08.115. Disabled Veteran.

"Disabled veteran" means a veteran with a disability resulting from a disease or injury incurred or aggravated during military service.

SECTION 27. Section 10.08.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.140. Grooming pParlor/mMobile.

"Grooming parlor/mobile" means any place of business, whether or not such business is regularly conducted by the operator within a building or other structure, permanent or otherwise, or within a van, truck or other movable vehicle, where for consideration animals are groomed, clipped, bathed or otherwise conditioned as pets and/or for show.or vehicle where animals are groomed for consideration.

SECTION 28. Section 10.08.145 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.08.145. Stables.

"Stables" means any property, premises, building or structure maintained for the lodging, feeding, or rental of horses and cattle.

SECTION 29. Section 10.08.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.150. Guard or Attack dDog.

"Guard or attack dog" means a dog rented by the owner to another person for guard dutya dog, not residing in a private residence, that is used to protect a person or property.

SECTION 30. Section 10.08.155 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.155. Hobby <u>bB</u>reeder.

"Hobby breeder" is any person, except formeans a person possessing a valid animal facility license, who owns and breeds a dog or cat and sells the offspring for pay or for other compensation. A hobby breeder is required to obtain a license pursuant to Section 10.20.045money or other consideration, and does not have an animal facility license.

SECTION 31. Section 10.08.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.160. Impounded.

If any "Impounded" means an animal that has been received into the custody of the dDepartment director pursuant to the provisions of this Division 1 or any state statute, such animal will have been "impounded" as that word is used in this Division 1.

SECTION 32. Section 10.08.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.170. Livestock.

"Livestock" includes, but is not limited to, the following: any pig, pygmy pig, hog, swine, cow, bull steer, horse, mule, jack, jenny, hinnycattle, equines, sheep, goats, llamas, alpacas, domestic fowl (including poultry) or poultry, and rabbits.

SECTION 33. Section 10.08.175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.175. Nonprofit hHumane eOrganization aAnimal fFacility.

"Nonprofit humane organization animal facility" means an animal facility operated by a bona fide charity in good standingoperating under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, where animals are kept for redemption by owners, adoption, or sanctuary.

SECTION 34. Section 10.08.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.190. Person.

"Person" means and includes an individual, a company, firm, partnership, corporation, trust, limited liability company, and any association of personsan association of individuals, or other legal entity.

SECTION 35. Section 10.08.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.200. Pet <u>sShop</u>.

"Pet shop" means any place of business where dogs under four months of age, or cats, monkeys, birds, reptiles, fish, or any other animals to be used are sold as pets, are kept for sale.

SECTION 36. Section 10.08.205 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.205. Pygmy <u>PPig</u>.

"Pygmy pig" means a pig or hog classified as Sus scrofa jubatus Muller, or Sus scrofa (cristatus) vittatus, and commonly referred to as a Vietnamese pot-bellied pig, pygmy pig, or mini-pig, which that stands no higher than 20 inches at the shoulder and is

no longer than 40 inches from the tip of the head to the end of the buttocks, and weighs no more than 120 pounds.

SECTION 37. Section 10.08.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.210. Section.

"Section" means a section of Title 10 of the <u>Los Angeles</u> County Code, as set forth in this Division 1, unless some other ordinance or statute is mentioned referenced.

SECTION 38. Section 10.08.215 is hereby added to read as follows:

10.08.215. Senior Citizen.

A "senior citizen" for purposes of this Division 1, means a person who is 60 years of age or older.

SECTION 39. Section 10.08.220 is hereby added to read as follows:

10.08.220. Service Animal.

"Service Animal" is a guide dog or seeing-eye dog trained by a person licensed under Business and Professions Code section 7200, et seq., including a signal dog, other dog, or miniature horse, trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of a person with a disability, including, but not limited to, guiding persons with impaired vision, alerting persons with impaired hearing to intruders or sounds, providing minimal protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, or fetching dropped items.

SECTION 40. Section 10.08.225 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.225. Unaltered.

"Unaltered" means an animal whichthat has not been spayed or neutered.

SECTION 41. Section 10.08.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.230. Unlicensed dDog or cCat.

"Unlicensed dog or cat" means any dog or cat for which the license for the current year has not been paid, or to which the tag for the current year, provided for in this Division 1, is not attached that is not currently licensed.

SECTION 42. Section 10.08.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.240. Wholesale wWild aAnimal dDealer.

"Wholesale wild animal dealer" means a person engaged in the business of sellingwho sells wild animals for the purpose of resale, or who sells wild animals to persons for use other than as pets.

SECTION 43. Section 10.08.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.08.250. Wild a<u>A</u>nimal.

"Wild animal" is anya nondomestic, exotic, or dangerous animal, including, but not limited to, the following: wild animal dog/domestic animal hybrids, and other mammals, wildfowl, fish, and reptiles.

SECTION 44. Section 10.12.010 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.12.010. Continuation.

The county department of animal care and control under the administrative management of the director, and the office of the director, are both hereby continued.

SECTION 45. Section 10.12.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.020. Director License duties generally Licensing Duties.

The director shall issue all licenses required by this Division 1, and shall maintain those records required by this Division 1, and handle all fees in such a manner as prescribed by the Los Angeles County auditor-controller. The Director or a Department employee who is assigned to issue licenses, to maintain licensing records, and to collect licensing fees, is deemed a deputy county tax collector, to serve without additional pay.

SECTION 46. Section 10.12.030 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.12.030. Director and other employees—Tax collector responsibilities.

For the purpose of issuing all other licenses required by this Division 1 and for no other purpose, the director and each employee designated by the director shall be appointed as a deputy county tax collector, to serve without additional pay as such.

SECTION 47. Section 10.12.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.040. <u>Director's pPowers of deputies and Duties.</u>

Whenever a power is granted to, or a duty is imposed upon, a public officer, the power may be exercised or the duty may be performed by a deputy of the officer or by a person authorized, pursuant to law, by the officer, unless this Division 1 expressly provides otherwise. The Director's powers and duties may be exercised and performed by designated Department employees.

SECTION 48. Section 10.12.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.050. Authority to aAccept nNegotiable pPaper.

The dDirector and the tax collector, in their discretion, may accept negotiable paper as provided in Ordinance 4099, the Administrative Code, and subject to all of the provisions of Sections 25303.1 and 25303.2, 25303.3, 25303.4, 25303.5 and 25203.6 of the Government Code.applicable statutes.

SECTION 49. Section 10.12.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.060. Public sSpay and nNeuter eClinic—Establishment—
Services and fFees.

- A. The dDirector may establish a clinic, at which members of the public may havewhere dogs and cats can be spayed or neutered in a humane manner upon payment of the applicable fees.
- B. A person submitting a dog or cat for the above service shall sign a consent form certifying thereon under penalty of perjuryrequesting that a dog or cat be spayed or neutered must provide written consent to the procedure and confirm in writing that he is the owner of the animals., or setting forth facts showing that he is otherwise authorized to present the animal for the above operation and such person may be required to furnish proof of such ownership or authority. A custodian who is not the owner of the dog or cat must provide written authorization from the owner of the dog or cat. Such consent shall The owner's written authorization must contain a waiver of any and all liability of the eCounty, the dDepartment of aAnimal eCare and eControl, and any eCounty employees for-any injury or death to an animal arising-out of the

aforementioned operation or from the requested procedure, or any related services provided incidental thereto.

C. The department shall establish a return date by which a person submitting an animal for the above operation shall pick up such animal The owner or custodian of the animal must pick up the animal on the return date stated by the Department or be subject to a reasonable-board-and care fee to commence starting the day after such the return date. Failure to pick up an animal within 15 days of the return date shall be deemed abandonment of such animal, An animal that is not picked up within 15 days after the return date is deemed abandoned and the dDirector may dispose of it by-sale adoption or destruction other disposition.

SECTION 50. Section 10.12.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.070. Public e<u>E</u>ducation <u>p</u>Programs.

The dDirector may establish public education programs as deemed necessary to carry out the department's duties and responsibilities for educate the public about the humane treatment of animals.

SECTION 51. Section 10.12.075 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.075. Incentive pPrograms.

The d<u>D</u>irector at his or her<u>has</u> discretion, mayto offer incentive programs to encourage compliance with the dog and cat licensing requirements.

SECTION 52. Section 10.12.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.080. Animals hHeld for eObservation for department of public health.by County Public Health Officer.

When authorized by law, Tthe dDirector shallmay pick up or accept and care for any animal to be held for observation by the director of public health. County public health officer.

SECTION 53. Section 10.12.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.090. Capture and <u>eCustody</u> of <u>aAnimals_required when.</u>

The dDirector is authorized to capture and take into custody:

A. All unlicensed dogs;

- BA. Any other <u>unlicensed</u> animal, wild or domestic, which is by this Division 1 required to be licensed, but which is unlicensed; that is required to be licensed;
- CB. Any animal being kept or maintained contrary to the provisions of this Division 1, the Animal Control Ordinance, or any other ordinance or state statute; in violation of a state statute or local ordinance;
- DC. Dogs and other animals running at large-contrary to the provisions of the Food and Agricultural Code or any other state statute or of this Division 1in violation of a state statute or local ordinance;
 - <u>ED</u>. Sick, injured, stray, unwanted or abandoned animals:
 - FE. <u>Unvaccinated d</u>Dogs-which are unvaccinated in violation of this Division 1;
- GF. Animals delivered by the owners to the director, all title and interest in which is abandoned by such owners; relinquished to the Department;

HG. Animals for which the owner or custodian is unable to care because of imprisonment, illness, bankruptcy litigation, or other contingency, or in cases in which the owner or custodian cannot be found.

SECTION 54. Section 10.12.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.100. Animals kKept in aAnimal SheltersCare Centers.

The director shall place animals taken into custody in the Animals taken into custody by the Department must be placed in eCounty animal shelters care centers or other appropriate facilities.

SECTION 55. Section 10.12.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.110. Charges and f<u>F</u>ees for taking u<u>U</u>nwanted a<u>A</u>nimals.

The Department shall charge the fees prescribed for the taking up or relinquishing of an unwanted animal when requested to do so by the animal's owner or other person having custody or control over said animal. An owner or custodian who relinquishes an animal or asks the Department to pick up an unwanted animal will be charged an owner-surrender fee. An owner or custodian who later redeems the animal will be charged board and care costs.

SECTION 56. Section 10.12.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.120. Removing aAnimals from eCustody-Requirements.

A person shall not remove any animal from the custody of the director, nor shall any person remove any animal from a county animal shelter, vehicle or trailer without first paying the necessary fees as set forth in this Division 1 or without receiving

permission from the director to do somust receive permission from the Director, and pay the required fees and charges, before removing an animal from the Director's custody.

SECTION 57. Section 10.12.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.130. Dead aAnimals and dDead lLivestock—Pickup from pPublic and pPrivate pProperty—Fee—Exceptions.

The dDirector shallwill pick up and dispose of all dead animals and livestock on public highways and on public and private property within the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County, wherewhen the owner is unknown, or at the request of the animal's owner or other person having custody or control over the animal. The fees for such removal services shall be are determined annually as provided in Section 10.04.065. However, Tthe dDirector shall not required to pick up any dead animals:

- A. In Garbage Disposal Districts where contractors are required pursuant to contract; by contract to perform such that service.
- B. In beach areas which are maintained by the department of beaches and harbors.if the animal weighs more than 150 pounds;
- C. Where a large number of animals have died requiring specialized equipment and/or skills beyond the capability of the Department;
- D. In areas that are not reasonably accessible to Department staff or equipment.

SECTION 58. Section 10.12.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.140. Dead animals—Pickup from bBusinesses or eOther fFacilities.

For each pickup or receiving of dead animals from anyAn animal-related business, such as a pet hospital, nonprofit humane organization animal facility, stable, or veterinary establishmentbusiness, or any commercial, industrial, educational, medical, or other facility that deals with animals in connection with its operation, must pay the required fee for the pick up or delivery of a dead animal.the director shall collect the fees determined annually as provided in Section 10.04.065

SECTION 59. Section 10.12.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.150. Tranquilizer <u>gGun eEquipment—Authorized</u>
whenAuthorized uUse-.

The dDirector may designate supervisory and selected animal control officers who will beemployees who are authorized to transport and operate tranquilizer gun equipment for use in the capture and seizure of animals.

SECTION 60. Section 10.12.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.160. Inhumane <u>tTreatment—Enforcement of sState lLaw.</u>

It shall be the duty of the The dDirector towill enforce those sections of the California Penal Code of the state of California pertaining provisions relating to the inhumane treatment of animals, and to take possession of so abandoned or neglected animals, and care for or dispose of same as provided for in the

Penal Code of the state of California or this Division 1.the animals in accordance with law.

SECTION 61. Section 10.12.161 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.12.161. Stealing or driving cats away from owners prohibited when.

A person shall not steal, take, carry, lead or drive away the cat of another, with intent to permanently or temporarily deprive the owner or possessor thereof.

SECTION 62. Section 10.12.170 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.12.170. Complaint investigation authority.

The director shall receive, investigate and report to other county officers and county departments complaints concerning disturbing or offensive noises or conduct of animals or fowl kept or maintained in the unincorporated territory of the county of Los Angeles.

SECTION 63. Section 10.12.180 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.12.180. Unlicensed or unvaccinated dogs or cats—Right of entry for enforcement.

For the purpose of discharging the duties imposed upon him by this Division 1, the director, in order to enforce the provisions hereof to take up and impound any unlicensed or unvaccinated dog or cat, may enter any real property upon which any dog or cat is kept or harbored or upon which he has reason to believe any dog or cat is kept or harbored and demand the exhibition by the person owning or having charge or control of any such dog or cat, of the dog or cat, the required rabies vaccination certificate, and the license or license tag for such dog or cat for the current year

provided for by this Division 1. This section does not permit any person to enter any private dwelling, except where necessary to rescue an animal.

SECTION 64. Section 10.12.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.190. Refusing to sShow ILicense or cCertificate uUnlawful.

Any person upon whom any demand is made under authority of this Division 1 for the exhibition of anywho refuses a request by an authorized Department employee to produce a dog or cat, rabies vaccination certificate, or any dog or cat license or tag, who fails or refuses to exhibit the same if he has it in his possession, is guilty of a violation of this Division 1, which shall be punishable as herein provided misdemeanor.

SECTION 65. Section 10.12.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.200. Interfering with dDepartment eOfficers pProhibited.

A person shall notwho interferes with, opposes, or resists the dDirector or an employee of the dDepartment, such person is engaged in the performance of any act authorized by this Division 1:while the Director or employee is performing his or her duties is guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECTION 66. Section 10.12.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.210. Right of eEntry for -Enforcement - Conditions Inspection.

A. The director, any officer or employee thereof, or other duly designated representative of the county, and any police officer shall have the right to make an inspection to enforce the provisions of this Division 1 or other applicable law by entering into any building or upon any property within the unincorporated territory of the county of Los Angeles when said person has reasonable cause to believe that there exists in any

building and/or upon any property any violation of the provisions of this Division 1 or other applicable law, provided that: An authorized County employee or a law enforcement officer may enter a building or property to inspect the premises only if:

- 1. If such building and/or property is occupied, he shall first present proper credentials to the occupant and request entry, explaining his reasons therefor; and if such building and/or property is unoccupied, he shall first make a reasonable effort to locate the owner thereof or other persons having authority over the building and/or property and request entry, explaining his reasons therefor; The owner or occupant of the building or property consents to the entry and inspection after the authorized County employee or law enforcement officer presents his credentials and explains the reasons for the entry and inspection; or
- 2. If entry into said building or upon said property be refused, the director, any officer or employee thereof, or other duly designated representative of the county, and any police officer shall obtain an inspection warrant pursuant to the provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure (Sections 1822.50—1822.57), for the entry and inspection of said building and/or said property; The authorized County employee or law enforcement officer obtains a warrant for the entry and inspection of the building or property under sections 1822.50 to 1822.57 of the Code of Civil Procedure; or
- 3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the director, any officer or employee thereof, or other duly designated representative of the county, and any police officer has reasonable cause to believe that the keeping or the maintaining of any animal is so hazardous, unsafe or dangerous as to require immediate inspection to

safeguard the animal or the public health or safety, he shall have the right to immediately enter and inspect such building and/or property, and may use any reasonable means required to effect such entry and make such inspection, whether such building and/or property is occupied or unoccupied, and whether or not permission to inspect has been obtained. If the building and/or property is occupied, he shall first present proper credentials to the occupant and request entry, explaining his reasons therefor. The authorized County employee or law enforcement officer has reasonable cause to believe that the keeping of an animal on the property is so hazardous, unsafe, or dangerous that an immediate inspection is necessary to safeguard an animal or public health and safety. Under these circumstances, the employee or officer may use reasonable means to immediately enter and inspect the building or property after presenting his credentials to the owner or occupant and requesting entry, if possible under the circumstances.

B. This section shall not prohibit the director, any officer or employee thereof, and any police officer from entering upon any public or private property in the unincorporated territory of the county of Los Angeles for the purpose of capturing an animal running at large in violation of this Division 1 or other applicable law. Any person who denies or prevents, obstructs, or attempts to deny, prevent or obstruct said capture is guilty of a misdemeanor. This section does not prohibit an authorized County employee or law enforcement officer from entering property in the Department's jurisdiction for the purpose of capturing an animal running at large in violation of this

Division 1 or other applicable law. A person who prevents or obstructs the capture of an animal running at large is guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECTION 67. Section 10.12.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.12.220. Animal fFacility ilnspection and gGrading aAuthority.

<u>Department employee is authorized to</u> inspect everyan animal annually facility as provided stated in Section 10.28.050150, and shallmust report en the findings of said inspection in an animal facility inspection report. The letter grade issued by the dDepartment shall be based on the most recent animal facility inspection report of the facility. The dDirector is authorized to recommend appropriate licensing or other legal action as set forth stated in Section 10.28.290.

SECTION 68. Section 10.16.010 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.16.010 - Created.

There is hereby created the department of animal care and control volunteer program, hereinafter referred to in this chapter as the "volunteer program."

SECTION 69. Section 10.16.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.16.020. Administration.

The dDirector shall have ultimate responsibility and has authority over the volunteer program. and shall The Director establishes suchrules, regulations, staff support policies and provides staffing and the equipment as may be necessary for such volunteers to adequately carry out the duties enumerated in Section 10.16.0760.

SECTION 70. Section 10.16.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.16.030. PersonnelVolunteers—Recruitment and eCompensation.

- A. The dDirector of the department of animal care and control shall have the responsibility for the selection and assignment of selects and assigns personnel under this for the volunteer program. All personnel within this program Volunteers may be recruited from citizens and other lawful residents—with a general concern for the humane treatment of who care about animals and, who support the and philosophy of the department. Department's mission.
- B. All positions within thisthe volunteer program-shall be on a volunteer and are unpaid, basis, and their status as county employees shall be governed by the salary ordinance set out atas provided in Title 6 of this code, under the heading of Volunteer Worker, W/O Comp.

SECTION 71. Section 10.16.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.16.040. Tenure of Personnel Release of Volunteer.

The personnel within this volunteer program shall Volunteers serve at the pleasure of the dDirector of the department of animal care and control and may be terminated released from service at any time for any reason.

SECTION 72. Section 10.16.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.16.050. Expense #Reimbursement.

Each volunteer shall will be reimbursed for his actual and necessary travel expenses if he is required and authorized to travel in the performance of his duties.

Reimbursement may include, including transportation, meals, and lodging, in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance 4099, the Administrative Code.

SECTION 73. Section 10.16.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.16.060. Duties.

- A. All volunteers participating in this volunteer program shall be responsible to and are required to take direction from the dDirector and such of his designated dDepartment employees deputies as he shall authorize.
- B. The Volunteer duties of the volunteers consist of include, but are not limited to, the following:
- 1. To-aAssist the department in reuniting lost pets with their rightful owners; through the use of lost-and-found newspaper ads, stray animal lists of each center, telephone calls regarding lost-and-found animals and information sheets of other shelters and other possible means of locating lost pets;
- 2. <u>To aA</u>ssist the department in escorting elementary school classes, civic groups, and 4-H Clubs through <u>conducting tours of the animal control care centers;</u>
- 3. To aAssist the department of animal care and control in promoting the low-cost spay and neuter clinics;
- 4. To aAssist in promoting the adoption of animals; from the department of animal care and control centers; and
 - Other duties assigned by designated employees.
- C. Volunteers are required to complete volunteer training and to be familiar and comply with County and dDepartment policies In addition to the duties designated

in subsection B of this section, each volunteer shall have such additional duties as the director shall prescribe.

SECTION 74. Chapter 10.20 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20. DOGS, AND CATS, AND SERVICE ANIMALS.

SECTION 75. Section 10.20.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.010. License tTags—Issuance—Fee.

Pursuant to Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 30801) of Divisions 14 and 14.5 of the Food and Agricultural Code, the The dDirector shallwill issue serially numbered permanent dog and cat license tags marked with the name of the "eCounty of Los Angeles."

SECTION 76. Section 10.20.011 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.011. License—Issuance by veterinarians and other qualified persons in unincorporated areas of the county—Conditions.

The director may authorize the issuance of dog and cat licenses, as required by Section 10.20.010, by persons practicing veterinary medicine in the unincorporated territory of Los Angeles County, or other persons approved by the director who meet the qualifications established by the department. Said persons shall transmit records and negotiable papers to the department of animal care and control at intervals as established by the director, and shall collect and transmit to the director the fees required by this chapter for the issuance of such licenses. The director may reimburse these businesses for such fees.

SECTION 77. Section 10.20.020 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.020 Person deemed custodian when.

Any person keeping or harboring any dog or cat for 15 consecutive days shall be deemed to be the custodian thereof and subject to licensing provisions within the meaning of this Division 1.

SECTION 78. Section 10.20.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.030. License—Required—Fees and eOther eCharges.

ef four months in the unincorporated territory of the county of Los Angeles shallAn animal owner or custodian residing in the Department's jurisdiction must obtain an annual license from the director for each dog and cat and shallolder than four months.

The owner or custodian must pay the fee for the licenses including, and any applicable delinquency charges and field enforcement fees. as set forth in Sections 10.20.130 and 10.90.010. The owner or custodian of an animal found unlicensed by a department employee in the field will be charged a field enforcement fee.

SECTION 79. Section 10.20.035 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.035. Senior e<u>C</u>itizen — <u>Defined</u>—<u>and Disabled Veteran</u> Reduced <u>Dog and Cat License</u> r<u>R</u>ates.

A reduced fee, as set out in Section 10.90.010, shall be charged to persons presenting proof of and qualifying for senior citizen status. For purposes of this section, persons over 60 years of age qualify for senior citizen status. This reduced fee shall apply only to persons whose dogs have been spayed or neutered by a licensed

veterinarian and can present a certificate of such sterilization. A senior citizen or disabled veteran, as defined in this Division 1, will be charged a reduced dog or cat license fee if written proof is provided that the dog or cat has been sterilized or is exempt under Section 10.20.350, et seq.

SECTION 80. Section 10.20.038 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.038. Residential dDogs and eCats—Limitations.

- A. Dogs. Up to It is unlawful to keep more than three dogs may be kept at any residence without an animal facility license, provided the dogs' owner or custodian licenses each individual dog and complies with the Mandatory Spay and Neuter Program for Dogs, 10.20.350 et seq. Each dog must be licensed. For purposes of this section, a service dog licensed under Section 10.20.090, and serving a person who is disabled within the meaning of Government Code section 12926 subsection (i) or (j) is not counted toward the number of dogs kept or maintained, while such dog is serving a person who is disabled within the meaning of Government Code Section 12926 (i) or (j). Government Code Section 12926(k).
- B. Cats. Up to It is unlawful to keep more than five cats may be kept at any residence without an animal facility license, provided the cats' owner or custodian licenses eEach individual cat, must be licensed, and kept has each cat spayed or neutered and keeps all cats primarily indoors.

SECTION 81. Section 10.20.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.040. Animal <u>fFacility</u> for <u>dDogs</u> and <u>eCats—When iIndividual dDog or eCat <u>IL</u>icenses are <u>rRequired</u>.</u>

An individual license shallmust be obtained for each dog or cat when such the dog or cat is kept as a pet at an animal facility and is not kept exclusively in a kennel run or cage.

SECTION 82. Section 10.20.045 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.045. Hobby bBreeding—License rRequired—Fees.

A person who is a hobby breeder, as defined in Section 10.08.155, shall obtainmust pay the fee for a hobby breeding license in the amount set forth inunder Section 10.90.010. Each license shall-authorizes the birth of no more than one litter per female dog or cat in any 12-month period and no more than one litter per-domestic household in any 12-month period. Breeding in excess of that authorized under this Section requires a breeding facility license (See 10.08.065 and 10.40.200 et seq.) and may result in further penalties more than one litter per year will result in penalties.

SECTION 83. Section 10.20.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.050. Exceptions from Los Angeles County ILicensing rRequirement.

A. The provisions of this Division 1 do not require either a tag or a license A

Los Angeles County license is not required for:

Any dog or cat that is currently licensed in another jurisdiction;

found within the unincorporated territory of the county when the owner thereof resides in

any municipality within the county, and such dog or cat is wearing or has attached to it a license tag for the current year issued by such municipality;

- 2. Any dog or cat owned by or in the charge of any person who is a nonresident not a resident of the eCounty, and is in the County for less than 30 days.

 and is traveling through the county or temporarily sojourning therein for a period of not exceeding 30 days;
- 3. Any dog or cat brought into the county and kept therein for not to exceed 30 days for the exclusive purpose of entering the same in any bench show, or dog or cat exhibition, or field trials or competition;
- 4. Any dog or cat brought or sent into the unincorporated territory of the county from any point outside thereof for the exclusive purpose of receiving veterinary care in any dog or cat hospital, in the event that such dog or cat is kept at all times strictly confined within such hospital;
- 5. Any dog or cat wearing or having attached to it a license tag for the current year issued by a municipality within the county when the owner thereof has, within one year last past, moved his principal place of residence from such municipality to the unincorporated territory of the county; provided, that such municipality similarly exempts from tag and license requirements dogs or cat wearing current county license tags and owned by persons who have moved from the unincorporated territory of the county to such municipality.
- B. Except, that each But every guard or attack dog found within the unincorporated territory of the eCounty, regardless of where the owner may reside, must

have a Los Angeles County dog license; and the license tag must be securely affixed to the dog's collar while it is being used as a guard <u>or attack</u> dog within the unincorporated territory of the eCounty of Los Angeles.

SECTION 84. Section 10.20.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.060. Unvaccinated dDogs or cCats—Acceptance of Payment for License Licensing permitted when.

The d<u>D</u>irector may accept <u>the payment of the fee for a license tag and a license payment for the license fee</u> for a dog or cat <u>whothat</u> has not been vaccinated <u>against rabies</u>, <u>if</u> the owner <u>of such dog or cat</u>, <u>within five days thereafter</u>, <u>have suchor custodian has the dog or cat vaccinated <u>within five days of payment</u> and submits <u>written</u> the required veterinarian's certificate <u>proof of vaccination</u> to the <u>dD</u>irector. <u>Upon receipt of such certificate</u>, <u>tThe dD</u>irector <u>shallwill not</u> issue the license tag and license until proof of rabies vaccination is received.</u>

SECTION 85. Section 10.20.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.070. <u>Vaccination Requirements and Unvaccinated dog or cat</u>

Ttime ILimit for vVaccination wWhen dDog or cCat is dDisabled.

A dog or cat must be vaccinated against rabies before a license is issued unless one of the following exemptions applies:

A. Cat. A license may be issued for an unvaccinated cat if the owner or custodian submits to the Director a written confirmation from a licensed veterinarian stating that a rabies vaccination would endanger the animal's life because of disease or other disability. The cat must be vaccinated within ten days after the disability ends.

A person who obtains a license without submitting a certificate of vaccination because of the infirmity or disability of the dog or cat shall, within 10 days after the termination of such infirmity or disability, cause such dog or cat to be vaccinated as required by Part 2 of this chapter.

B. Dog. A license may be issued for an unvaccinated dog if the owner or custodian obtains the exemption permitted under Health and Safety Code section 121690 from the local public health officer. The dog must be vaccinated within ten days after the disability ends.

SECTION 86. Section 10.20.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.080. License and <u>ILicense tTag</u>—Period of <u>vValidity</u>—Dogs <u>dDischarged from mMilitary sService</u>.

has been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States shall be of indefinite duration is valid for the dog's lifetime, the same individual owns or harbors the same dogso long as the owner or custodian of the dog keeps its vaccination against rabies current. The fee shall be that specified in Chapter 10.90.

SECTION 87. Section 10.20.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.090. Service Dog Defined—Animal License and ILicense tTag—Requirements—Period of vValidity.

A. "Service Dog" is a guide dog or seeing-eye dog which was trained by a person licensed under Chapter 9.5 (commencing with Section 7200) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, a signal dog or other dog individually trained to do

work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including, but not limited to, guiding individuals with impaired vision, alerting individuals with impaired hearing to intruders or sounds, providing minimal protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair or fetching dropped items.

B. EveryA person owning or having custody-or centrol of a -deg ever the age of four months service animal, -who must obtain a service animal license and tag. The Director will issue a license and tag after receiving submits proof to the director that such dogthe animal has been successfully trained as a service animal. dog as defined above in subsection A, shall procure a service dog license and a service dog license tag, which The license and tag shall will be valid while the doganimal is acting as a service dog, animal and is owned and kept by the same person. The tag shall must be returned to the doganimal upon transfer of ownership or possession of the doganimal, or upon the retirement or death of the doganimal.

SECTION 88. Section 10.20.110 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.110. License tag Fee for spayed or neutered animals.

Pursuant to Section 30804.5 of the Food and Agricultural Code, any dog or cat license tag issued pursuant to Section 10.20.030 of this Part 1 shall be issued for one-half or less of the fee required if a certificate is presented from a licensed veterinarian that the dog or cat has been spayed or neutered.

SECTION 89. Section 10.20.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.120. Fees pPayable aAnnually—Delinquency charge.

A. The ILicense fees provided for in this chapter shallmust be paid annually. to the director in the amount set forth in Section 10.90.010 B. A delinquency charge as provided in Section 10.90.010 shallwill be assessed applied when the license fees provided for in this chapter are not paid within ten10 days after the expiration date or the date the license is required to be obtained by the provisions of this title.license fee is due.

SECTION 90. Section 10.20.125 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.125. License fee not refundable.

No part of the license fee is refundable in any case.

SECTION 91. Section 10.20.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.130. Recordkeeping and Procurement of tags and

ReceiptsLicenses.

The dDirector shall procure the number of license receipts and dog or cat license tags needed each year, and shall keep a register wherein shall be entered the name and address of each person to whom any dog or cat license tag is issued, the number of such tag, the date of issuance thereof and a description of the dog or cat for which issued. will keep a record of the name and address of the animal owner or custodian and the date each license and tag is issued.

SECTION 92. Section 10.20.140 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

The director shall not issue a dog or cat license unless the applicant exhibits a certificate signed by a veterinarian, licensed either by the state of California or by any other state to practice veterinary medicine, that:

A. The period elapsing from the date of vaccination with approved rabies vaccine to the date of expiration of the license being issued does not exceed the time as established by the state; or

B. Such dog or cat should not be vaccinated with rabies vaccine because such vaccination would jeopardize the health of such dog or cat due to infirmity or other disability, which infirmity or other disability, and the estimated date, of termination thereof, is shown on the face of the certificate to the satisfaction of the director.

SECTION 93. Section 10.20.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.150. License—Information to be shown on receipt.

When the director issues a dog or cat license, he shall show on the receipt The following information must appear on the license receipt: the age of the dog or catanimal, the date of the last rabies vaccination, and, if the license was issued without proof of vaccination, the reason therefor the exemption.

SECTION 94. Section 10.20.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.160. License and <u>License <u>*Tag</u>—Transfer <u>pPermitted wWhen</u>—</u>

If, during a license period, a dog or cat is sold or title to the dog or cat is otherwise transferred to a new owner, such new owner may apply to the director for a transfer of such dog's or cat's tag and license and pay a transfer fee as specified under Chapter 10.90. Upon receipt of such application and fee, the director shall record the name and address of the new owner. A new owner of a dog or cat that is currently licensed may transfer the existing license to his name upon payment of a transfer fee, but a license for a service animal is not transferable.

SECTION 95. Section 10.20.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.170. Replacement of <u>Lost or Destroyed</u> <u>Tags</u>.

In case any license tag for an individual dog or cat is lost or destroyed, a duplicate thereof may be procured from the director upon the submission to the director of such proof as he may require and upon the payment therefor as specified under.

Chapter 10.90An animal owner may purchase a replacement license tag if the animal's tag is lost or destroyed.

SECTION 96. Section 10.20.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.180. Tag to be Wworn by Dog or CatAnimal.

A license tag for an individual dog or catanimal shallmust be securely affixed attached to a collar, harness, or other device which that shall at all times must be worn at all times by such dog or catthe animal except while such dog or catthe animal is

remains indoors or in any enclosed yard or pen. The license tag attached to an animal must be the tag issued by the Department for that animal. Alternatively, a cat may wear any form of identification approved under Chapter 10.90by the Department.

SECTION 97. Section 10.20.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.190. Keeping <u>uUnlicensed dDogs or eCats or Other Service</u>

<u>Animals pProhibited.</u>

A person shall not<u>may not</u>, harbor or keep, or cause or permit to be harbored or kept, any unlicensed dog, cat, or <u>other service animal</u> in the <u>unincorporated territory of</u> the county of Los Angeles, or in any city in Los Angeles County which has adopted this Title 10Department's jurisdiction.

SECTION 98. Section 10.20.200 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.200. Counterfeit or imitation tags prohibited.

A person shall not attach to or keep upon any dog or cat, or cause or permit to be attached to or kept upon any dog or cat, any tag provided for in Section 10.20.010 of this chapter except a tag issued for such dog or cat under the provisions of this chapter, or attach or keep upon or cause or permit to be attached to or kept upon any dog or cat, or make or cause or permit to be made or have in possession, any counterfeit or imitation of any tag provided for in this chapter.

SECTION 99. Section 10.20.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.210. Removing <u>tTag</u> and <u>Identification from collar pProhibited</u>.

Anlt is unlawful for an unauthorized person shall notto remove from any dog or cat any collar or harness or other device to which is attached athe license tag, or remove such tag or other identification therefrom an animal.

SECTION 100. Section 10.20.211 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.211. Spaying or neutering—Condition of sale—Deposit required.

As a condition to the sale or giving away of any cat that has not been spayed or neutered, the purchaser or recipient shall deposit with the department of animal care and control, at the time of the sale or giving away, an amount determined by the director to be sufficient to cover the costs of neutering or spaying the cat, but in no event shall such deposit exceed \$30.00. Such deposit is to be paid to a licensed veterinarian upon proof that he has performed the required neutering or spaying operation within the time period as set forth in Section 10.20.214, and may include an amount necessary to recover any additional costs to the department under this chapter.

SECTION 101. Section 10.20.212 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.212. Spaying or neutering—Disposition of funds by director.

Whenever, in connection with the sale of any cat, the director shall receive a deposit to cover the costs of spaying or neutering, the money so received shall be deposited in a trust fund in the county treasury.

SECTION 102. Section 10.20.213 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.213. Spaying or neutering—Deposit paid to veterinarian.

Whenever a cat has been spayed or neutered as provided herein, the depositor shall be entitled to have the deposit paid to the licensed veterinarian performing the above operation, or the director may return the deposit to the person purchasing or receiving the cat upon written statement or receipt from the licensed veterinarian that the cat has been spayed or neutered, and the director shall draw the necessary demand on the auditor therefor.

SECTION 103. Section 10.20.214 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.214. Spaying or neutering—Deposit forfeited without proof of operation—Conditions.

Any cat over six months of age at the time it is sold or given away shall be spayed or neutered within 60 days, or the deposit shall be deemed forfeited. Any cat under six months of age at the time it is sold or given away shall be spayed or neutered within 60 days after reaching the age of six months or the deposit shall be deemed forfeited. The director may extend such time periods in writing upon the showing of good cause therefor. The age of the cat for purposes of this chapter shall be determined by the department. At least 30 days before the end of the said 60 day period, or any written extensions thereof, the department shall send the purchaser notice by mail to the address on file with the department, informing the purchaser that failure to furnish satisfactory proof of performance of the operation prior to the end of the 60 day period or its extension shall result in forfeiture of the deposit. If the notice has been sent and

the allotted time has elapsed without satisfactory proof of performance of the operation, the deposit shall be forfeited and the director shall transfer such money from the trust fund to the county treasury.

SECTION 104. Section 10.20.215 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.20.215. Spaying or neutering—Deposit refund conditions.

Whenever any cat which has been purchased from the department of animal care and control, while it was under the age of six months, dies or is destroyed prior to being spayed or neutered as required in this chapter, the purchaser shall be entitled to a refund upon presenting satisfactory proof to the director of such death or destruction, and the director shall draw the necessary demand on the auditor therefor. No refund shall be made, however, where death or destruction occurs following the time within which the aforementioned operation was required to be performed.

SECTION 105. Section 10.20.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 10.20.220. <u>Vaccination rRequirements generally</u>.

A. EveryA person keeping, or harboring, or having any a dog or cat over four months of age in the unincorporated territory shall cause Department's jurisdiction such must have the dog or cat to be accinated with against rabies vaccine, by a person licensed by the state of California, or other state, to practice veterinary medicine, veterinarian on or before the latest of the following dates:

A.1.—15 days after first acquiring suchthe dog or cat;

B. 2. 15 days after bringing such the dog or cat into the unincorporated territory of the county of Los Angeles Department's jurisdiction.

B. No person shall cause a dog or cat under the age of four months to be vaccinated with an approved rabies vaccine unless a veterinarian licensed by the state of California, or other state, determines that such vaccination is required to preserve the health or prevent the disability of such dog or cat.

SECTION 106. Section 10.20.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.230. Revaccination <u>tTime</u>—Rables <u>vVaccine</u>.

EveryA person keeping ,or harboring, or having a dog or cat in the unincorporated territory of the county which Department's jurisdiction that has been vaccinated with an approved against rabies vaccine shall cause such is required to have the dog or cat to be revaccinated within a period of not more than:

- A. 12 months after the dog's or cat's initial vaccination if the dog or cat was between fourthree months and one year inof age at the time of such vaccination; and
 - B. 36 months after each <u>priorsubsequent</u> vaccination.

SECTION 107. Section 10.20.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.250. Certificate of vVaccination—Information to be sShown.

Every person practicing veterinary medicine in the unincorporated territory of the county of Los Angeles A licensed veterinarian in the Department's jurisdiction who vaccinates a dog or cat with against rabies vaccine shall must immediately issue a certificate of vaccination signed by the veterinarian to the person to whom he delivers the dog or cat the original, and monthly to the director a duplicate, of a certificate signed by the veterinarian which states owner or custodian of the dog or cat, and a duplicate certificate to the Director, stating:

- A. The name and address of the owner or harborercustodian of the vaccinated dogs or cats;
- B. The kindtype of vaccine used, the name of the manufacturer, and the manufacturer's serial or lot number, and the date of the vaccinations; and
 - C. The breed, age, color, and sex of the vaccinated dogs or cats.

SECTION 108. Section 10.20.262 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.262. County aAssistance to ILow-eCost vVaccination eClinics.

The dDirector may direct dDepartment personnel to provide low-cost vaccination clinics or assist at low-cost vaccination clinics operated by veterinary associations as an adjunctin addition to clinics operated by the dDepartment. The dDirector may charge for the services of eCounty personnel at low-cost vaccination clinics operated by veterinary associations. This charge shall not include the time actually spent in the issuance of licenses Rates shall be those. The rate charged for each vaccination will be the amount established by the eCounty aAuditor-eController.

SECTION 109. Section 10.20.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.270. Licensing of bBusinesses using dDogs for pProtection.

EveryA business establishment that uses a guard or attack dog-or dogs to work without supervision to deter and protect the business from unauthorized persons entering said business, as defined in Section 10.08.150, is required to obtain under this part, other than sentry dog companies having dogs registered pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 121910. Businesses registered under Health and Safety Code

Section 121910 are also required to obtain an animal facility license under Section 10.28.060 an animal facility license.

SECTION 110. Section 10.20.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.280. Licensing of dDogs used by businesses for pProtection.

Every business establishmentor person using a guard or attack dog must shall license, each dog with the Los Angeles County dDepartment of animal care and control; failure to license a guard or attack dog is a misdemeanor each and every dog subject to this Part 3.

SECTION 111. Section 10.20.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.290. Inspection of <u>business pPremises rRequired aAnnually</u>

Fee.

Prior to Before the licensing of a dog, and business subject to this Part 3, the county Department shall must inspect the business establishment premises so as where the dog is working to assure ensure the adequate housing and care of the dog. The inspection fee set forth in Section 10.90.010.II.C.3 -shall must be paid annually upon inspection.

SECTION 112. Section 10.20.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.300. Licensing—Information Required.

A. The license issued to a business <u>or person</u> subject to this Part 3 <u>shallwill</u> include the following information:

A.1. The name, address and telephone number of both contact information, as defined in Section 10.08.095, the business establishment for the

premises where the dog is working the business establishment and the name and contact information of the dog's responsible owner, custodian, or handler;

- B2. The name of the dog;
- C3. The license identification number and the microchip number of the dog;
- DB. The time at which the owner, custodian, or handler shallmust inspectvisit the dog's physical condition, its surroundings, and to assure its where it is working at least twice in every 24-hour period to ensure the health of the dog, that the food and water supply are adequate, and compliance with all other requirements of Section 10.40.010. Said inspection shall be twice in any 24-hour period, with each inspection no more than 15 hours from the previous inspection. A visit may not be more than 12 hours after the last visit.

SECTION 113. Section 10.20.310 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.20.310. Sign rRequired on pPremises—Contents.

Clear and legible signs shallmust be posted at each of the entrances to the business establishmentpremises havingwhere dogs are licensed pursuant tounder this Part 3, which shall statestating that the dog and the business location are licensed with the Los Angeles County department of and and econtrol and the location and telephone number of the nearest ecounty animal sheltercare center. Failure to post the required sign is a misdemeanor.

SECTION 114. Section 10.20.320 is hereby added to read as follow:

10.20.320. Guard and Attack Dogs—Fenced or Walled Premises Required.

A person owning or having charge, care, custody, or control of any guard or attack dog as defined in Section 10.08.150 is required to confine the dog in an enclosed structure or on property that is enclosed by a fence or wall that is at least five feet high.

SECTION 115. Section 10.28.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.010. Application of Chapter 10.28 pProvisions.

This chapter <u>28</u> applies to all licenses required by this Division 1 except licenses for individual dogs and cats.licenses required for animal facilities and wild animals.

SECTION 116. Section 10.28.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.020. Initial ILicense—Application rRequired.

Every person desiring a license person who seeks to operate an animal facility or to keep a wild animal under Section 10.28.060, shall must file an application with the department and upon a form to be provided by the department, and at such time pay the required fee, and any applicable penalty as set forth in Section 10.90.010.II. A person who possessed or owned a wild animal or who operated an animal facility without the required license, shall must pay the penalty set forth in owed under Section 10.90.010.II.C.4, in addition to the license fee. When a person applies for licenses for different purposes for animals at the same premises at the same time, the cost of the licenses shall will be reduced by the amount set forth in in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.90.010.II.A.1.k.

SECTION 117. Section 10.28.030 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.28.030. License—Form and information required.

Each application for any license covered by this chapter shall be upon a form to be furnished by the department, and shall contain such information as the director may require.

SECTION 118. Section 10.28.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.040. License fFee nNot rRefundable.

No part of the license fee is refundable in any case. Fees for animal facility licenses and wild animal licenses are not refundable.

SECTION 119. Section 10.28.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.050. License rRequirements—Prerequisites to ilsuance and rRenewal.

Upon the filing of any license or renewal application covered by this chapter,tThe dDirector shallwill inspect the premises and make such investigation as he deems proper. conduct an investigation, at his discretion, related to the filing of any license or renewal application. A license will be issued or renewed The director may issue a new license or renew the license if the following requirements are met:

A. The maintenance of the animal or animals at the <u>specified</u> location set forth in the application will not violate any <u>federal law</u>, state law, or ordinance of the eCounty of Los Angeles, federal law or any law of the state of California, or constitute a menace to the health, peace, or safety of the community; <u>and</u>

- B. The applicant has received approval from the dDirector of the department

 Department of rRegional pPlanning that the maintenance of the animal or animals as

 defined in this chapter, at the specified location specified in the application for the

 license therefore, will not violate any provision of anya zoning ordinance or other

 specific plan of land use; land-use plan; and
- C. The applicant has not had an animal facility or wild animal license, covered by this chapter, denied or revoked within the eCounty of Los Angeles within twelvethe12-months prior toperiod before the date of the application. However, the dDirector may issue a license within the twelvethat 12-month waiting period if the applicant is able to can show that the grounds of the denial or revocation no longer exist.make the showing required by Section 10.28.150.

SECTION 120. Section 10.28.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.060. License—Required for e<u>C</u>ertain a<u>A</u>ctivities and a<u>A</u>nimals—Certain a<u>A</u>nimals e<u>E</u>xempt.

Any person, including a new owner of an existing organization or business, shall not cannot conduct or operate any animal facility listed in Section 10.90.010, or keep any wild animal, within the unincorporated area of Los Angeles, Department's jurisdiction without first obtaining a license from the dDepartment, and any other applicable agency. Failure to obtain a license for an animal facility or a wild animal is a misdemeanor. except as otherwise provided in this Section 10.28.060. Any person who has not applied for a license within 30 days after the expiration date of a license must obtain a new

license, in place of a renewal license. A license is not required for the keeping of the following animals for personal useas pets:

	1. Canaries;	
	2. Chinchillas;	
	3. Chipmunks;	
	4. Finches;	
	5. Gopher snakes;	
	6. Guinea pigs;	
	7. Hamsters;	
	8. Hawks;	
	9. King snakes;	
	10. Marmoset monkeys;	
	11. Mynah birds;	
	12. Parrots, parakeets, amazons, cockatiels, cockatoos, lories, lor	rikeets, love
oirc	ds, macaws, and similar birds of the psittacine family;	
	13. Pigeons;	
	14. Ravens;	
	15. Squirrel monkeys;	
	16. Steppe eagles;	
	17. Toucans;	
	18. Turtles;	
	19. White doves;	

- 20. Tropical fish excluding caribe;
- 21. Domesticated mice and rats.
- 1. Birds;
- 2. Domestic rodents (pet mice, rats, guinea pigs, hamsters, and chinchillas);
- 3. Fish;
- 4. Non-venomous reptiles less than six feet in length;
- 5. Rabbits.
- **SECTION 121.** Section 10.28.061 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 10.28.061. Keeping and bBreeding pPygmy pigs—License rRequired.

Anyperson owning or having the custody, care or control_application for an animal license or an animal facility license filed by the owner or custodian of one or more a pygmy pigs as defined in this title who keeps or maintains any such pig, whether as a pet or for personal use, or breeds such pig for pay or other compensation, shall first pay a fee andwill be issued if the following requirements are met:obtain an animal license or animal facility license from the department, except that no such license shall be issued unless:

A. The person keeping or maintainingowner or custodian of a pygmy pig kept in a residential area, as permitted in Los Angeles County Code Section 22.20.030 as a pet or for personal use, has provided proofwritten confirmation to the Department from a licensed veterinarian that the pig has been neutered or spayed and such proof has been submitted to the department; and

B. The person owning or having custody and care owner or custodian of the animal provides written confirmation to the Department that he or she has obtained any and all licenses and zoning permits required pursuant to under this eCounty eCode or any other ordinance or statute, and has submitted proof of such to the department.

SECTION 122. Section 10.28.062 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.062. Pygmy pPigs—Breeding pProhibited in Residential Zone.when.

Any person owning or having the custody, care or control of any pygmy pig, and who keeps and maintains a pygmy pig in any residential zone, shall not engage in the breeding of such animals. Breeding of a pygmy pig is prohibited in a residential zone.

SECTION 123. Section 10.28.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.090. License—Expiration dateTerm.

All The term of a licenses covered by this chapter-shall automatically expire twelve () is 12 months following the date of issue, unless sooner revoked or terminated by the Director, or by any of the following actions: the licensee changes the location of the animal facility or the animal for which the license was issued, or the licensee sells, assigns, transfers, or otherwise disposes of the animal facility or animal or his or her interest therein. in the animal facility or animal.

SECTION 124. Section 10.28.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.100. Display of ILicense.

Every person having a license issued pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall keep such license posted and exhibited, while in force, The holder of an animal

facility license must post the current license in somea conspicuous part of such establishment or, in the case of athe premises. The holder of a wild animal license ,affixed to must attach the current license to the cage or enclosure wherein the animal is kept, or in the case of a. A pygmy pig such-license shallmust be affixed attached to a harness or other device and worn by the animal at all times.

SECTION 125. Section 10.28.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.120. License—Issued sSubject to eConditions—when.

If the director finds that the facts are such that any one or more of the provisions of this Division 1 relating to the denial of the license under consideration would apply if the license is issued without conditions, but that conditions can be imposed which will eliminate any such ground for denial, the director shall direct that the license be issued, subject to such conditions. If a ground exists to deny a license, the Director, in his discretion, may issue the license subject to conditions instead of denying the license.

SECTION 126. Section 10.28.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.130. Denial or e<u>C</u>onditional <u>gG</u>rant—Notice to <u>aA</u>pplicant of <u>rRight</u> to <u>hH</u>earing.

Before the director denies any license, either new or renewal, or grants any license subject to conditions, except the renewal of a license containing only those conditions to which the license renewed was subject, or conditions to which the applicant has agreed, he shall notify the applicant in writing that he intends to deny the license or to grant the license subject to conditions, which conditions shall be specified in the notice,—The Director must mail a written notice to a licensee stating his intention

specified in the notice. The notice must also state and that if the applicant, if dissatisfied with the decision of the director may, in writing, requestwishes to appeal the Director's decision, he must submit a written request for a hearing before the bBusiness lLicense eCommission within five days after receipt of such notice. 14 days after the date the notice was mailed.

SECTION 127. Section 10.28.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.140. Denial or eConditional gGrant—Hearing pProcedure.

If anyWhen an applicant requests a hearing, the dDirector shallwill prepare and file an accusation in the manner prescribed as described in Section 7.10.210 of this code, enrelating to business licenses. The parties will then be notified and a hearing will be held by the bBusiness lLicense eCommission in the manner prescribed inunder Sections 7.04.280 and 7.10.200 through 7.10.390 of this code. At such hearing, all All parties maywill be given an opportunity to provide documentary evidence and witness testimony at the hearing. The heard and the bBusiness lLicense eCommission shallwill determine whether the license should be issued, issued subject to conditions, or denied.

SECTION 128. Section 10.28.150 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.28.150. Exception to waiting period following license denial or revocation.

If a license has been denied or revoked, the director shall not accept a new application by the same person for a license for the same activity at the same location less than twelve months after such denial or revocation unless the applicant

affirmatively shows, and the director finds, that the grounds upon which the first application was denied or the license was revoked no longer exist.

SECTION 129. Section 10.28.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.160. Animal Facility License – Renewal, procedure.

Within 30 days after the expiration of any license or prior to the expiration of the license, the licensee shall apply for a renewal of the license and, with his application, pay the required fee set forth in Section 10.90.010.II.B. When a person applies for more than one renewal, for animals at the same premises at the same time, the cost of the renewals shall be reduced by the amount set forth in Section 10.90.010.II.B.1.i.An animal facility licensee is required to apply for a renewal license and to pay the fee under Section 10.90.010 before the license expires. A licensee who has An animal facility which has not applied for a renewal within the 30 days grace periodafter the license has expired must obtain a new license in place of a renewal license, and pay the applicable fees applicable to an initial license. If the applicant has not applied for a renewal within six months after the expiration date, the penalty provided in Section 10.90.010.II.C.4 must also be paid-and penalties.

SECTION 130. Section 10.28.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.170. <u>License Suspension or rRevocation Procedure.As</u>

condition of license grant—Procedure.

Every license granted is granted and accepted by allthe parties with the express understanding that the dDirector may prepare and file an accusation, and cause the parties to be notified, and a hearing held before the business license commission as

prescribed suspend or revoke the license if warranted, in accordance with the procedure described in Section 10.28.140. If, from the evidence introduced at such hearing, the beginness lLicense eCommission finds that any ground offor revocation exists, it may revoke or suspend such the license. Pending such hearing and decision, Tthe dDirector may suspend such license for not more than 60 days. the license for up to 60 days before the hearing is held and the decision is made by the Business License Commission.

SECTION 131. Section 10.28.175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.175. Re-inspection.

When alf an initial license or renewal fee has been paid within the preceding 12 months, and a re-inspection of the premises is necessary to determine compliance with all licensing requirements, or when a person requests a reinspection in order to improve a grade, or for any reason, requested for any reason, he shall pay the reinspection fee set forth in Section 10.90.010.II.C.1, provided that any applicable initial license fee or renewal fee has been already paid within the preceding twelve months. a re-inspection fee will be charged.

SECTION 132. Section 10.28.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.180. Suspension and Revocation—Grounds.

A license may be <u>suspended or revoked</u> on any one or more of the following grounds:

A. Any facts exist because of which a denial of the license would be authorized; Denial of the license would be authorized under existing facts.;

- B. The licensee, or any agent or employee of the licensee, has violated or has been convicted of violating of the provisions of the ordinance codified in this chapter or any other county ordinance, or of any regulation adopted pursuant thereto, or of any law, statute, rule, order or regulation of the state now or hereafter in force regulating the occupation or other activity for which the license was issued; anymunicipal ordinance or a state or federal law or regulation relating to the operation of an animal related business.
 - C. The licensee obtained the license by fraudulent misrepresentation(s).;
- D. The licensee has conducted the occupation or other activity licensed in an immoral or disorderly manner;
- E. The licensee is an unfit person to be entrusted with the privileges granted by the license.

SECTION 133. Section 10.28.190 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.28.190. Revocation Notice to tax collector.

The director shall give notice of such revocation to the tax collector.

SECTION 134. Section 10.28.200 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.28.200. Revocation—Forfeiture of fee.

On revocation of the license, no part of the money in the hands of the tax collector shall be returned, but the said license fee shall be forfeited to the county.

SECTION 135. Section 10.28.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.210. Imposition of When a Additional e Conditions authorized

when May be Imposed.

A. If, at any time, it appears to the director that there are grounds for the revocation of a license, but that such grounds could be eliminated by the imposition of conditions, or of additional conditions, or by the amendment of any existing condition to such license, he may notify the licensee in writing that he intends to impose or amend such conditions and that the licensee may, within five days after receipt of such notice, request in writing a hearing before the business license commission. The Director may impose or amend license conditions if grounds exist for the revocation of the license.

The Director will give written notice to the licensee of his intention to impose or amend conditions. Within 14 days after the notice is mailed, the licensee may submit a written request for hearing before the Business License Commission.

B. If, from the evidence at a revocation hearing or at a hearing held pursuant to this section, it appears to the business license commission that there are grounds for revocation which can be eliminated by the imposition of, or amendment of, conditions, the business license commission may impose or amend such conditions. The Business License Commission may impose or amend conditions based on evidence presented at the hearing.

SECTION 136. Section 10.28.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.220. Change of eConditions at Licensee's rRequest.

If a licensee applies in writing to the director for a change in the conditions to which his license is subject, the director may grant such application in whole or in part, or may deny such application, based upon facts found by him. The Director may grant or deny all or part of a licensee's application to change license conditions as warranted by the facts.

SECTION 137. Section 10.28.230 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.28.230. License—Preparation, numbering, recordkeeping and other procedures.

Each license issued pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall be prepared, numbered, signed, delivered and accounted for in the manner provided by law for other licenses.

SECTION 138. Section 10.28.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.240. License—Information to be Shown.

In addition to any other matter required by law, each The license shallmust state the name and residence address of the person to whom such license is issued, licensee, the address where the animals will be kept, the amount paid therefor and the character thereof, for the license, the date when the license was issued, and the expiration date on which such license shall expire, and shall specify the address at which the license permits the maintenance of the animal or animals.

SECTION 139. Section 10.28.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.250. Renewal procedure—Report from regional planning commission required when. Animal Facility License – Report From Zoning Authority.

If the tax collecter Director has not received any protest against complaint regarding the issuance or its-renewal of an animal facility license, he may issue agreenew at of an existing the license covered by this chapter for at the same location stated on the license, without any report from the dDirector of the dDepartment of rRegional pPlanning commission, or other applicable zoning authority. If a complaint has been received, approval Otherwise, the tax collector shall not issue any license until he obtains from the dDirector of the Department of rRegional pPlanning commission a statement signed by such director is required to confirm that themaintenance of keeping the animal (s) or animals, at the location specified in the application for the license therefor, will not violate any provision of anythe applicable zoning ordinance or official plan of a master plan of for land use.

SECTION 140. Section 10.28.260 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.28.260. Report of zoning land use regulation violations required when—Contents.

If the director of the regional planning commission finds that the holder of any license covered by ordinance or official plan of land use, or has done, is doing or threatens to do any act, because of the doing of which no license should be issued or renewed, or any other circumstance because of which such license should not be

renewed, he shall report such fact in writing to the tax collector. In such report he shall give the number of the license, the name and address of the licensee, the location of the animal or animals, the reasons why such license should not be renewed, and such other facts as the tax collector may require.

SECTION 141. Section 10.28.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.270. Animal fFacility gGrading—Bases for gGrading.

- A. The purpose of the Animal Facility Grade Card is to provide notice to the public of the grade earned by an animal facility at the time of the most recent inspection of the facility. The grading standards are set forthstated in the Animal Facility Inspection Report, which is available upon request from any eCounty shelteranimal care center.
- B. The letter grade reflected in the Animal Facility Inspection Report is based on the facility's level of compliance with applicable state statutes, and local ordinances, and policies relating to the care of animals. The grade shall be issued on the animal facility's final score as follows:
 - 1. Grade of A: Final score of 90% and above;
 - 2. Grade of B: Final score of 80% to 89%;
- 3. Grade of C: Final score of 70% to 79%. A final score of 70% is the minimum grade required to maintain a license in good standing. A score of less than 70% will result in recommendations by the dDepartment regarding licensing or legal action to be taken as set forth in Section 10.28.290.

SECTION 142. Section 10.28.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.280. Display of gGrading cCard—Violation.

- A. Upon issuance by the director, the facility shall The facility is required to post the Animal Facility Grade Card at everythe animal facility, so as to be clearly visible to the general public and to patrons entering the facility. For purposes of this section, "clearly visible to the general public and to patrons" shall mean: as follows:
- Posted in the front window of the facility within five feet of the front door or;
- 2. Posted in a display case mounted on the outside front wall of the facility within five feet of the front door; or
- 3. Posted in a location as directed and determined in the discretion of the dDirector to ensure proper notice to the general public and to patrons.
- B. In the event that If an animal facility is operated in the same building or space or shares a common customer entrance as a separately licensed or permitted business, or in the event that an animal facility shares a common patron entrance with such a separately owned or permitted business, or in the event of both, the facility shallmust post the Animal Facility Grade Card(s) in the initial patroncustomer contact area, or in a location as determined in the discretion of by the dDirector.
- C. The Animal Facility Grade Card shallmust not be defaced, marred, camouflaged, hidden, or removed. Except as provided in subsection D of this section, it shall beis unlawful to operate an animal facility unless the Animal Facility Grade Card is

displayed as required by this Section 10.28.280. A violation of this subsection C is a misdemeanor, and is punishable as a misdemeanor under Penal Code Section 19.

D. The dDirector may waive posting of the Animal Facility Grade Card when the animal facility consists of animals maintained solely as personal pets which that are not used to breed, show, sell, adopt, or to-transfer ownership or custody of the animals by any other method.

SECTION 143. Section 10.28.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.28.290. Consequences of <u>fF</u>ailure to a<u>A</u>chieve <u>mM</u>inimum <u>gG</u>rade.

The dDepartment shall make recommendations as to licensing or legal action to be taken when will take one or more of the following actions if an animal facility does not earn a final-score of at least 70%-:

- 1. Licensing Consequences. Licensing consequences of an animal facility's failure to attain a final score of at least 70% include the impose of conditions, denial, revocation or non-renewal of the license. Deny, revoke, impose conditions on, or not renew the animal facility license.
- 2. Other Consequences. Other consequences include referrals Refer the matter to local prosecuting authorities for criminal prosecution under local ordinances or state statutes.

SECTION 144. Section 10.32.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.32.010. Dogs—Running at ILarge pProhibited—Exceptions.

No person owning or having charge, care, custody or control of any dog shall cause, permit or allow the same to be or to run at large upon any highway, street, lane,

alley, court or other public place, or upon any private property or premises other than those of the person owning or having charge, care, custody or control of such dog, in the unincorporated area of the county of Los Angeles, unless such dog be restrained by a substantial chain or leash not exceeding six feet in length and is in the charge, care, custody or control of a competent person. A dog must be restrained on a substantial leash not exceeding six feet in length by a person capable of controlling the dog, while on public property or common areas of private property. An owner or custodian of a dog may allow the dog to be unrestrained on private property with the owner's or lessor's consent.

SECTION 145. Section 10.32.020 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.32.020. Attack dogs—Fenced or walled premises required when.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 10.32.010, no person owning or having charge, care, custody, or control of any dog which has been trained to attack persons or animals, or an attack dog that behaves in a threatening or menacing manner, shall, within the unincorporated area of the county of Los Angeles, cause, permit or allow the same to be or run at large upon any private property or premises, including those of the person owning or having charge, care or custody of such dog, except within such portion of such property or premises which are enclosed by a structure, fence or wall not less than five feet in height. The fence, wall or structure shall conform to requirements of Chapter 11.50 of this code.

SECTION 146. Section 10.32.030 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.32.030. Dogs—Running at large permitted on private property—

Conditions.

The provisions of this chapter do not prohibit permitting or allowing dogs to run at large on the premises of the owner or person having charge, care, custody or control of such dogs when the property is a ranch or similar undeveloped property, or prohibit permitting or allowing dogs, other than unspayed female dogs during the copulative season, to run at large on any ranch or similar undeveloped property with the permission of the owner of such ranch or similar undeveloped property; provided such dog is under reasonable control of a competent person.

SECTION 147. Section 10.32.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.32.040. Livestock and poultryWild Animal at ILarge — deemed mMisdemeanor—Exceptions.

A. Every person owning or having charge, care, custody or control lt is unlawful for an owner or custodian of any pig, pygmy pig, hog, cow, bull, steer, horse, mule, jack, jenny, hinny, sheep or other livestock, including poultry, is guilty of a misdemeanor, who wilfully or knowingly permits or, through failure to exercise due care or control, a wild animal or livestock to allows:

- 1.A. The same Such an animal to run at large upon any highway, street, lane, alley, court or other public place on public property; or
- 2.B. Such an animal <u>Tto</u> enter or remain in or upon any <u>landprivate property</u> owned by any person, other than the owner <u>or custodian</u> of <u>suchthe</u> animal, <u>unless the</u>

person in charge of such animal has in his possession the consent in writing without the written consent of the property owner or lessee of such land.

- C. A violation of this section is a misdemeanor.
- B. This section does not apply to any recreational use upon uncultivated or unimproved land.

SECTION 148. Section 10.32.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.32.050. Livestock—Owner ILiability for sService charges.

The owner or other person having custody or control over<u>custodian of</u> livestock shall be liable to<u>must pay</u> the e<u>C</u>ounty for the salary, costs<u>personnel costs</u> and other expenses incurred by the d<u>D</u>epartment's <u>personnel when used for the restraining</u>, capturing or rescuing of said animals. The salary, costs and expenses shall be determined by the director with the concurrence of the county auditor-controller. <u>to</u> restrain, capture, or rescue livestock.

SECTION 149. Section 10.32.060 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.32.060. Leading animals along public highways permitted.

This chapter does not prohibit the leading, driving or conducting of animals under adequate supervision along a public highway.

SECTION 150. Section 10.32.070 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.32.070. Requirements for animal facility keeping cats.

Every person owning or operating any animal facility used to keep cats, shall keep all cats therein under proper confinement on the premises and shall not cause, permit or allow such cats to be or to run at large.

SECTION 151. Section 10.32.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.32.080. Wild aAnimal(s). Establishment regulations.

wild animal establishment shall keep all animals under proper confinement facility must properly confine the animal(s) on the premises and shall not cause, permit or must not allow such the animal(s) to be or to run at large or maintain any such animal upon any private property on or within the premises of such person in such a manner as to endanger the life or limb of any person lawfully entering such premises. A wild animal is not allowed to be taken to any place where it would endanger any person. A violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

SECTION 152. Section 10.32.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.32.090. Animals a<u>A</u>llowed to be at <u>IL</u>arge—Permit <u>FR</u>equired—Conditions.

A. If the director finds that it is necessary to permit an animal, wild or domestic, to run at large in order to accomplish any legitimate purpose by the use of such animal, and that the animal will be so supervised and guarded that it will not leave the premises where used and will not endanger in any way the public health, safety or general welfare of any person, he may permit such animal to run at large under such conditions as the director finds necessary or expedient to protect the safety of the public. The Director may issue a license to allow a domestic or wild animal to run at large for a legitimate purpose so long as the animal is properly supervised and guarded so that it cannot leave the premises where it is used, and to ensure the public safety.

B. Such permit may be for one occasion or for a period of time or until revoked. It may include one or more animals or may permit any animal under the control of the permittee to run at large as provided in subsection B.

C. Such permit may be revoked for the reasons and pursuant to the procedures provided by this Division 1 for the revocation of licenses.

SECTION 153. Section 10.36.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.010. Taking <u>uUp</u> aAnimals—Permitted—when.

Any person finding any stray domestic animal or any such animal which is running at large contrary to the provisions of this Division 1 livestock may take up such the animal if he complies with the applicable provisions of this Division 1. Within four hours, the person must make reasonable efforts to locate the owner, call an animal care center to report the finding of the animal and to ask that it be picked up, or take the animal to an animal care center. The animal must be surrendered to the Director upon demand.

SECTION 154. Section 10.36.020 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

40.36.020. Surrendering animals to authorized representative required when.

Any person taking up any stray domestic animal or any such animal found running at large contrary to the provisions of this Division 1 shall surrender such animal to the director or to his duly authorized representative upon demand.

SECTION 155. Section 10.36.040 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.040. Taking up animals—Notice to director or sheriff required.

Every person, except the director, taking up any stray animal or any such animal which is running at large contrary to the provisions of this Division 1 shall, within four hours thereafter, give notice to the director or to the sheriff of:

- A. The fact that he has such animal in his possession;
- B. The complete description of such animal;
- C. The license number of such animal, if any, and by what county or municipal corporation issued. If such animal has no license he shall so state;
 - D. The place where such animal is confined.

SECTION 156. Section 10.36.050 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.050. Taking up animals—Sheriff's officers' notice responsibility.

In case the notice provided for in Section 10.36.040 is given to any member of the sheriff's office, such officer shall immediately notify the director and shall furnish him all the information which has been obtained regarding such animal.

SECTION 157. Section 10.36.060 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.060. Animals delivered to shelter.

The director shall deliver to an animal shelter operated by the department those animals picked up by the department in accordance with this Division 1.

SECTION 158. Section 10.36.080 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.080. Impounded animals—Recordkeeping requirements.

The director shall keep a record of each animal impounded, the date of impound, the date and name and address of the person who redeemed, reclaimed or purchased the animal, and the amount of all fees received or collected for or because of the impounding, reclaiming or purchasing of the animal. When a dog or cat is redeemed by an owner or is adopted, the director shall keep a record of the dog or cat license number or the animal facility license number under which the dog or cat was released.

SECTION 159. Section 10.36.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.090. Impounded dogs and cats Animals — Notice to e Owner required when.

When any dog or cat wearing a current, valid license tag issued by the county of Los Angeles, or any municipality within the county of Los Angeles an animal who has traceable identification is impounded pursuant to this Division 1, the dDirector shall, within 48 hours, excluding week-ends and holidays, after receiving such dog or cat, notify either by telephone or letter, with postage fully prepaid thereon, the person to whom the current license for such dog or cat was issued, of the whereabouts of such dog or cat.must notify the owner of the whereabouts of the animal within 48 hours after receiving the animal. The notification may be made by telephone, letter, or other available means. The owner or custodian of the animal will not be liable for any board or care charges if the Director does not give the timely notice required by this section, provided the animal is reclaimed within 24 hours after receiving notice.

SECTION 160. Section 10.36.100 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.100. Impounded dogs or cats—Failure to give notice—Charging fee prohibited when.

If the director does not comply with Section 10.36.090, he shall charge no fee of any kind for any board or care of such dog or cat, until such time as the required notice is given.

SECTION 161. Section 10.36.110 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.110. Impounded animals—Newspaper notices authorized.

The director may, upon impounding of any animal, cause to be published, in any newspaper circulated within the community wherein any such animal was taken up, a notice of description of such animal, the date of such taking up and impounding, and the address of the animal shelter wherein such animal is being held.

SECTION 162. Section 10.36.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.120. Impounded dogs and cats wearing current, valid license tag

<u>Animals with Traceable Identification</u>—DestructionAdoption or eOther

dDisposition_conditions.

Dogs and cats wearing current, valid license tag, issued by the county of Los

Angeles or any municipality within the county of Los Angeles, impounded pursuant to
this Division 1, shall not be destroyed or otherwise disposed of unless: The Department
will hold an animal with traceable identification, before adopting it out or otherwise
disposing of it, for six business days after it mails or otherwise notifies the owner or

custodian of where the animal is. An animal that is irremediably suffering or is ordered to be destroyed by the public health officer will not be held for six business days.

A. The person to whom the current license for such dog or cat was issued so directs; or

B. Six business days have elapsed since such person was notified of the whereabouts of his dog or cat by telephone; or

C. Six business days have elapsed since a letter, postage fully prepaid, addressed to such person at his last known address and informing such person of the whereabouts of his dog or cat, has been deposited in the United States mail.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a dog or cat which is irremediably suffering from a serious illness or severe injury shall not be held for owner redemption or for adoption.

Any stray animal that is impounded pursuant to this Division 1, shall, prior to the killing of the animal for any reason other than irremediable suffering, be released to a nonprofit humane organization, as defined in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, animal rescue or adoption organization if requested by the organization prior to the scheduled killing of the animal. In addition to the required spay or neuter deposit, the Department may assess the standard adoption fee for animals released.

SECTION 163. Section 10.36.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.130. Redemption of ilmpounded aAnimals—Conditions gGenerally.

The owner or person entitled to the custody of any animal taken up and impounded under the provisions of this Division 1 may, at any time before the sale or

disposal thereof as herein provided, redeem such animal by paying to the director the fees and charges prescribed by this Division 1 accruing up to the time of such redemption.custodian of an impounded animal may redeem it by paying the fees and charges against it before the adoption or other disposition of the animal.

SECTION 164. Section 10.36.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.160. Impounding fFees—Described.

The impounding fee does not include anyincludes the cost of feeding or and caring for any dog or cat except during the day on which it is impounded, but the fee for such care and feeding may be collected for each day, except the day on which it is impounded, during which such dog or cat is in the custody of the director: an animal on the day it was impounded. The owner or custodian will be charged daily board and care costs for each day after the day of impound.

SECTION 165. Section 10.36.170 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.170. Impounding fees—Cost of giving notice included.

For giving notice of the impounding of any animal, the actual cost of the publication of any notice published for such animal shall be collected.

SECTION 166. Section 10.36.180 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.180. Impounding fees—For rabbits, poultry and other animals.

The estimated cost of impounding, feeding and caring for rabbits, birds, poultry, fowls, livestock or other animals not otherwise provided for in Division 1 shall be collected.

SECTION 167. Section 10.36.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.190. Impounding fFees and Care Costs—Veterinary eCare.

- A. The dDirector may employ a private veterinarian, if as necessary, to properly care for and maintain any animal.
- B. When a veterinarian's fee has been paid or incurred for the care or treatment of an animal, such the animal shall will not be redeemed without payment by the owner of all fees and costs released to the owner or custodian until all fees and care costs have been paid.

SECTION 168. Section 10.36.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.200. Impoundment f<u>F</u>ees—Not <u>e</u>Charged <u>w</u>Mhen <u>a</u>Animal <u>t</u>Taken <u>u</u>Up <u>u</u>Unlawfully.

A charge shall not be collected for any animal which has been unlawfully taken up and impounded. Such animal shall be immediately delivered upon demand to the owner or person entitled to the custody thereof. An animal unlawfully taken up and impounded will be returned to its owner or custodian without charge or delay.

SECTION 169. Section 10.36.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.210. Dog or Cat—Release eConditions.

The director shall not release any dog which has been redeemed by the owner unless such A dog does not have rabies, or cat may be released to its owner or custodian if it is not under observation for rabies if:

A. The owner exhibits a certificate signed by a veterinarian licensed either by the state of California or by any other state to practice veterinary medicine that:

- 1. Such dog has been vaccinated with approved rabies vaccine within a period of not more than 12 months after the dog's initial vaccination if the dog was between four months and one year in age at the time of such initial vaccination; or
- 2. Such dog has been vaccinated with approved vaccine within the past 36 months; or
- 3. Such dog should not be vaccinated with rabies vaccine because such vaccination would jeopardize the health of such dog due to infirmity or other disability, which infirmity or disability and the estimated date of termination is shown on the face of the certificate; or
- 4. A department veterinarian has so vaccinated such dog within the times specified in subsection A of this section.
 - A. The dog or cat has been microchipped and vaccinated against rabies; or
 - B. The owner or custodian has complied with Section 10.20.070; or
- C. The owner signs an order to comply, agreeing to have the dog or cat vaccinated against rables within 10 calendar days.

SECTION 170. Section 10.36.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.220. Dogs—Nonpayment of impound fees and charges—
Abandonment. Abandonment of Impounded Animals.

The refusal or failure of the owner of any impounded dog to pay the fee and charges after due notification shall be held to be an abandonment of the dog by the owner. An animal is abandoned to the Department if the owner or custodian has not paid the fees and charges against the animal and has not taken possession of it within six

business days after the Department's mailing or notifying the owner or custodian of the animal's availability.

SECTION 171. Section 10.36.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.230. Release of aAnimals—Proof of pProper cCare rRequired.

The dDirector shallwill not release a lawfully impounded animal to its owner or custodian, or sell, any animal that has been impounded in accordance with the provisions of this Division 1, adopt out an animal unless the person to whom the animal is released or sold provides satisfactory proof that the animal will be maintained in accordance with the provisions of the ordinance codified in this Division 1 or any other ordinance or statute, agrees to comply with all applicable laws and demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Department that the animal will receive the necessary care.

SECTION 172. Section 10.36.240 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.240. Purchase of animals without current, valid tag—Waiver of liability for unhealthy animals.

Notwithstanding any other section of this Division 1, any diseased, ill, unwell or unhealthy animal may be purchased not less than four business days after impoundment, at the discretion of the director, provided the purchaser signs a waiver of liability as to any existing disease, illness or injury.

SECTION 173. Section 10.36.245 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.245. Animal nNot sSuitable for placement. Adoption.

The director may declare an individual animal not suitable for placement

which The Director may find that an animal is not suitable for adoption if it demonstrates

aggressive behavior, <u>has a prior history of suchaggressive</u> behavior, or is irremediably suffering from a serious illness or severe injury.

SECTION 174. Section 10.36.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.250. Purchase Adoption of a Animals—Exchange following sale permitted whenor Refund.

Any purchaser of a dog or cat, other than at auction, within seven days after such purchase (excluding the day of purchase) may exchange +such dog or cat for another dog or cat. A person who adopts a dog or cat may exchange the dog or cat, or apply for a refund, within 14 days after adoption. If the amount which the director would charge adoption fee for the value of the substituted dog or cat is greater than the amount paid for the original dog or cat, the purchasershall adopter must pay the difference. In no event will any part of the purchase price of the original dog or cat be refunded, even though the price of the substituted dog or cat is less than the price paid for the original dog or cat.

SECTION 175. Section 10.36.260 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.260. Dogs and cats—Vaccination aAuthorized when.

If t<u>T</u>he d<u>D</u>irector finds that any dog or cat impounded in a county animal shelter probably can be sold, or that in order to protect the public health such dog or cat should be vaccinated, he may order the vaccination of such dog or cat with an approved rabies vaccine. is authorized to provide medical care for impounded animals, including all necessary vaccinations.

SECTION 176. Section 10.36.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.270. Examination for rRabies aAuthorized-when.

If the director suspects that any animal impounded has rabies, he shall hold such animal for inspection by, and shall notify, the director of public health. If the Director suspects that an impounded animal has rabies, he must notify the public health officer and hold the animal for examination. If the director suspects that any animal impounded has rabies, he shall hold such animal for inspection by, and shall notify, the director of public health. The director of After examining the animal, the public health shall examine such animal, and if he believes such animal should be held for further observation, he shall so inform the director, who shall hold such animal as directed officer may advise the Director to hold the animal for further observation.

SECTION 177. Section 10.36.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.280. Release wWhen no rRabies fFound.

If the director of public health officer finds that such the animal examined under Section 10.36.270 does not have rabies, the dDirector shallmay release it or lawfully dispose of it as provided in this Division 1.

SECTION 178. Section 10.36.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.290. Confinement wWhen rRabies fFound.

If the director of public health officer finds that such the animal examined under Section 10.36.270 is afflicted with has rabies, the dDirector shallmust confine it as directed instructed by the director of public health officer.

SECTION 179. Section 10.36.300 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.300. Examination of animals suspected of rabies—Limitation on acts authorized.

Nothing in Sections 10.36.270, 10.36.280 or 10.36.290, or any other portion of this Division 1, shall be construed to either authorize or require any person, other than a person having a California State Veterinary License, to practice veterinary medicine, or to do any act in violation of the Business and Professions Code.

SECTION 180. Section 10.36.310 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.310. Destruction or other disposition—Animals running at large or maintained illegally.

Not less than four business days after taking up and impounding any animal found running at large without a current, valid identification issued by the department or other municipality in the county of Los Angeles, or which is otherwise being maintained contrary to the provisions of this Division 1, unless it sooner be redeemed by its owner, or is not suitable for adoption pursuant to Section 10.36.240 of this code, the director may destroy, or sell or give such animal to any entity, unless the disposition of such animal is covered by some other section of this Division 1.

SECTION 181. Section 10.36.340 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.340. Spaying or neutering Condition of sale—Deposit required.

As a condition to the sale or giving away of any dog that has not been spayed or neutered, the purchaser or recipient shall deposit with the department of animal care and control, at the time of the sale or giving away, an amount determined by the director

to be sufficient to cover the costs of neutering or spaying the dog but in no event shall such deposit exceed \$40.00. Such deposit is to be paid to a licensed veterinarian upon proof that he has performed the required neutering or spaying operation within the time period as set forth in Section 10.36.370, and may include an amount necessary to recover any additional costs to the department under this chapter.

SECTION 182. Section 10.36.350 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.36.350. Spaying or nNeutering—Condition of sSale—Deposit of mMoneys.

Whenever, in connection with the sale of any dog, the director shall receive a deposit to cover the cost of spaying or neutering, the money so received shall be deposited in a trust fund in the county treasury. A person who adopts a dog or cat must pay the spay or neuter deposit required under state law. The Department will deposit the money received in a trust fund in the County treasury. After the adopted dog or cat has been spayed or neutered, the Director will refund the deposit to the adopter upon request. The deposit is forfeited if it is not claimed within 60 days

SECTION 183. Section 10.36.360 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.360. Spaying of neutering—Deposit paid to veterinarian.

Whenever a dog has been spayed or neutered as provided herein, the depositor shall be entitled to have the deposit paid to the licensed veterinarian performing the above operation, or the director may return the deposit to the person purchasing or receiving the dog upon written statement or receipt from the licensed veterinarian that

the dog has been spayed or neutered, and the director shall draw the necessary demand on the auditor therefor.

SECTION 184. Section 10.36.370 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.370. Spaying or neutering—Deposit forfeited without proof of operation—Conditions.

Any dog over six months of age at the time it is sold or given away shall be spayed or neutered within 60 days or the deposit shall be deemed forfeited. Any dog under six months of age at the time it is sold or given away shall be spayed or neutered within 60 days after reaching the age of six months or the deposit shall be deemed forfeited. The director may extend such time periods in writing upon the showing of good cause therefor. The age of the dog for purposes of this chapter shall be determined by the department. At least 30 days before the end of the said 60-day period, or any written extension thereof, the department shall send the purchaser notice by mail to the address on file with the department, informing the purchaser that failure to furnish satisfactory proof of performance of the operation prior to the end of the 60-day period or its extension shall result in forfeiture of the deposit. If said notice has been sent and the allotted time has elapsed without satisfactory proof of performance of the operation, the deposit shall be forfeited and the director shall transfer such money from the trust fund to the county treasury.

SECTION 185. Section 10.36.380 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.36.380. Spaying or neutering—Deposit refund conditions.

Whenever any dog which has been purchased from the department of animal care and control, while it was under the age of six months, dies or is destroyed prior to being spayed or neutered as required in this chapter, the purchaser shall be entitled to a refund upon presenting satisfactory proof to the director of such death or destruction, and the director shall draw the necessary demand on the auditor therefor. No refund shall be made, however, where death or destruction occurs following the time within which the aforementioned operation was required to be performed.

SECTION 186. Section 10.37.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.010. Purpose of this eChapter.

Within the e \underline{C} ounty of Los Angeles there are potentially dangerous and vicious dogs that have become a serious and widespread threat to the safety and welfare of the citizens of the e \underline{C} ounty, which should be abated. The provisions of this chapter set forth the procedures by which the Department can find a dog is found to be a potentially dangerous dog or a vicious dog $_{\bar{\tau}}$ and the consequences of such a finding. This chapter is intended to supplement rather than supplant any other remedy available under state statute or eCounty ordinance.

SECTION 187. Section 10.37.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.020. Potentially dDangerous dDog—Definition.

Potentially dangerous dog means any of the following:

- A. Any dog which when unprovoked, that on two separate occasions within the prior 36-month period, engages in any unprovoked behavior that requires a defensive action by any person to prevent bodily injury to any person, domestic animal, or livestock, off the property of the owner or custodian of the dog;
- B. Any dog which, that, when unprovoked, bites a person or otherwise engages in aggressive behavior, causing a less severe injury than as defined in Section 10.37.040;
- C. Any dog which, that, when unprovoked, has killed, seriously bitten, inflicted injury, or otherwise caused injury to a domestic animal or livestock off the property of the owner or custodian of the dog.

SECTION 188. Section 10.37.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.030. Vicious dDog—Definition.

"Vicious dog" means any of the following:

- A. Any dog which that engages in or has been found to have been bred or trained to engage in exhibitions of fighting;
- B. Any dog whichthat, when unprovoked, in an aggressive manner, inflicts severe injury on or kills a person;
- C. Any dog previously determined to be designated as and currently listed as a potentially dangerous dog in Los Angeles County, or to be a dangerous or vicious dog in another jurisdiction, which, after its owner or custodian has been notified of this determination that designation, continues the behavior described in Section 10.37.020 or

is maintained in violation of Section 10.37.130, <u>a stipulation</u>, an administrative decision, a court order, or restrictions placed upon it by another jurisdiction.

SECTION 189. Section 10.37.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.040. Severe ilnjury—Definition.

"Severe" injury" means any physical harm to a human being that results in a serious illness or injury, including but not limited to a major fracture, muscle tears, or disfiguring lacerations requiring multiple sutures or corrective or cosmetic surgery.

SECTION 190. Section 10.37.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.050. Enclosure—Definition.

"Enclosure" means a fence or structure suitable tothat will prevent the entry of young children, and is suitable tothat will confine a potentially dangerous or a vicious dog, in conjunction with other measures which that may be required to be taken by the owner or custodian of the dog. The enclosure shall must be designed to prevent the animal from escaping. The animal shall be housed pursuant to section 597t of the Penal Code.

SECTION 191. Section 10.37.060 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.37.060. Department Definition.

"Department" means the department of animal care and control.

SECTION 192. Section 10.37.070 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.37.070. Impounded—Definition.

"Impounded" means taken into the custody of the department.

SECTION 193. Section 10.37.080 is hereby amended to read as follows: 10.37.080. Exemptions.

This chapter does not apply to humane society shelters, <u>public</u> animal control facilities, or care centers or shelters, veterinarians, or to dogs while <u>utilizedused</u> by any police department or any law enforcement officer in the performance of police work.

SECTION 194. Section 10.37.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.090. Right of eEntry and inspection.

An-duly authorized employee or agent of the dDepartment or any-law enforcement officer may enter and inspect private property in the manner as set forth in Section 10.12.210. Upon inspection, the dDepartment may act to enforce the provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 195. Section 10.37.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.100. Authority to s<u>S</u>eize and <u>iImpound aAnimal pPosing an iImmediate tThreat to <u>pPublic sSafety.</u></u>

A. If upon investigation it is determined by the animal control officer or law enforcement officer that probable cause exists that the dog in question poses an immediate threat to public safety, then the animal control officer or law enforcement officer may seize and impound the dog pending the hearing to be held pursuant to this ehapter. An animal control or law enforcement officer may seize and impound a dog at large when probable cause exists that the dog poses an immediate threat to public safety. The owner or custodian of the dog shall beis liable for the and expenses of keeping the dog impounded impound fee and costs if the dog is later

adjudicated determined to be potentially dangerous or vicious. Such The fees and costs and expenses shall must be paid prior to before the release of the dog, but no later than 14 days after the dog is available to be released.

B. When a dog has been impounded pursuant tounder subsection A and it is not contrary to public safety, the dDirector of the department of animal care and control shall permitmay allow the animal to be confined at the owner's expense in a dDepartment-approved animal or veterinary facility.

SECTION 196. Section 10.37.105 is hereby added to read as follows:

10.37.105. <u>Initial Administrative Review by Director of Potentially</u>

<u>Dangerous Dog.</u>

If grounds exist, the Director may impose conditions on the keeping of a potentially dangerous dog in lieu of serving a petition to determine if the dog is potentially dangerous. The Director will give written notice to the dog owner or custodian of his intention to impose conditions on the keeping of the dog. Within 14 days, the owner or custodian may agree to the designation of potentially dangerous dog and to the conditions or may submit a written request for a hearing as provided in Section 10.37.110.

SECTION 197. Section 10.37.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.110. Potentially dDangerous or +Vicious dDog hHearing.

A. Hearing.

If an animal control officer or a law enforcement officer has investigated and determined that there is probable cause that a dog is potentially dangerous or vicious,

the dDirector of the department of animal care and control shallmay petition the Superior Court, within the judicial district wherein the dog is owned or kept, for a hearing, or shall serve a petition for an administrative hearing, to determine whether or not the dog in question should be declared potentially dangerous or vicious.

B. Notice of Hearing and Petition.

Whenever possible, a complaint received-from a member of the public which that serves as the evidentiary basis for the animal control officer or law enforcement officer to find probable cause shall will be sworn to and verified by the complainant and shall be attached to the petition. The dDirector of the department of animal care and control shall must notify the owner or custodian of the dog that a hearing will be held by in the Superior Court; or that an administrative hearing will be held, at which time he or she the owner or custodian may present evidence as to why the dog should not be declared potentially dangerous or vicious. The Director will serve Tthe owner or custodian of the dog shall be served with notice of the hearing and a copy of the petition, either personally or by first class mail. The hearing shall will be held promptly within no less than five ()between 5 working days nor more than ten ()and 10 working days after the service of the notice upon the owner or custodian of the dog. For purposes of this chapter, service is complete upon deposit of the document(s) in the mail or when the documents are personally served.

C. Conduct of Hearing.

The hearing shallwill be conducted as an administrative hearing, or a limited civil case pursuant tounder Code of Civil Procedure Section 85, et seq., open to the public.

The judicial officer or administrative hearing officer maywill admit into evidence all relevant evidence, including incident reports and the affidavits of witnesses. I jury shallwill not be available. The judicial officer or administrative hearing officer may find, upon a preponderance of the evidence, that the dog is potentially dangerous or vicious and shallwill make other orders or findings required or authorized by this chapter. The judicial officer or administrative hearing officer may decide all issues for or against the owner or custodian of the dog even if the owner or custodian fails to appear at the hearing.

D. Administrative Hearing Officer.

If the dog owner or custodian is notified that an administrative hearing will be held, The hearing shallwill be conducted by a neutral hearing officer. The dDepartment may authorize its own efficer or employee to conduct the hearing if the hearing officer is not the same person who signed the petition or directed the seizure or impoundment of the dog, and is not junior in rank to that person(s). In the alternative, the dDepartment may utilizeuse the services of a hearing officer from outside the dDepartment.

SECTION 198. Section 10.37.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.120. Notice of <u>dD</u>etermination and <u>aA</u>ppeal from <u>eC</u>ourt <u>hH</u>earing.

A. Following a court hearing conducted pursuant to Section 10.37.110, the owner or custodian of the dogshall parties will be notified in writing of the determination and order issued, either personally or by first class mail, postage prepaid by the court.

If the petitioner or the owner or custodian of the dogeither party contests the determination, he or she may, within fourteen (14) calendar days after the mailing of the notice of determination, appeal the decision, which appeal shall be made to the Superior Court, before a judge other than the judge who originally heard the petition.

The fee for filing an appeal shall be is the fee provided for by in Section 31622(a) of the Food and Agricultural Code, and shall be payable to the Ceounty clerk. The petitioner or the owner or custodian of the dogparty appealing shallmust serve notice of the appeal upon the other party personally or by first class mail, postage prepaid.

- B. The court hearing the appeal shallmust conduct a hearing de novo, without a jury, and make its own determination as to the potential danger andor viciousness, of the dog, and make any orders authorized by this eChapter, based upon the evidence presented. The hearing shallwill be conducted in the same manner and within the time periods set forth in Section 10.37.110. The court may admit all relevant evidence, including incident reports. and the affidavits of witnesses, limit the scope of discovery, and may shorten the time to produce records or witnesses. The issue shallwill be decided upon the preponderance of the evidence.
- C. The court hearing the appeal may decide all issues for or against the owner or custodian of the dog even if the owner or custodian fails to appear at the hearing.
- D. The determination of the court hearing the appeal shall beis final and conclusive upon all parties.

SECTION 199. Section 10.37.121 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.121. Notice of dDecision and jJudicial rReview of aAdministrative dDecision.

Following an administrative hearing conducted pursuant to Section 10.37.110, a written notice of the decision shallmust be served on the dDepartment and the owner or custodian of the dog either personally or by first class mail within 10 calendar days after the hearing. If the department or the owner or custodian of the dogeither party desires to contest the decision, the department or the owner/custodianthe appealing party shallmust notify the other party, in writing, within fourteen (14) calendar days after the decision is served, of the intention to seek judicial review of the decision. The party seeking judicial review by the Superior Court shallmust comply with all requirements of Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, et seq.

SECTION 200. Section 10.37.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.130. Consequences of <u>pP</u>otentially <u>dD</u>angerous <u>dD</u>og <u>dD</u>etermination.

The following conditions apply to a dog determined to be potentially dangerous:

A. The dog shallmust be properly licensed, microchipped, and vaccinated at the owner or custodian's expense, prior to release before it is released to the dog's owner or custodian. If the dog was not impounded, the dog owner or custodian shallmust provide proof that the dog is licensed, microchipped, and vaccinated within fourteen (14) calendar days after the decision or court order declaring the dog to be potentially dangerous is served on the dog owner or custodian. The dDepartment may

include the designation in the registration records of the dog, after the court or the hearing officer has determined that the designation applies to the dog.

- B. The dog, while on the owner or custodian's property, shall, at all times, must be kept indoors, or in a securely fenced yard or enclosure from which the dog cannot escape, and into which children cannot trespassenter. The Department must inspect and give written approval of the yard or enclosure shall be inspected and approved in writing by the department prior to release of the dogbefore the dog is released to its owner or custodian. If the dog was not impounded, the Department must inspect and give written approval of the yard shall be inspected and approved in writing by the departmentor enclosure within fourteen (14) calendar days after the decision or court order declaring the dog to be potentially dangerous is served on the dog owner or custodian.
- C. The dog may be off the owner or custodian's premises only if it is muzzled and restrained by a substantial leash, not exceeding six-(6) feet in length, and if it is under the control of an adult capable of restraining and controlling the dog. At no time may the dog be left unattended while off the owner or custodian's premises.
- D. The owner or custodian of the dog shallmust notify the dDepartment immediately if the dog is at large, or has committed an attack on any person, domestic animal, or livestock. If the dog no longer resides with the owner or custodian of record, or, the dog is transferred to another person(s), the owner or custodian shallmust advise the dDepartment of the dog's new location, in writing under penalty of perjury, and provide a copy of the administrative decision or court order declaring the dog to be

potentially dangerous; to the new owner and custodian. Each subsequent owner or custodian shallmust provide each new owner and custodian with a copy of the administrative decision or court order during the effective period of the decision or court order. Likewise, if the dog is moved to another jurisdiction, the owner or custodian is required to provide the animal control authorities in the new jurisdiction with a copy of the administrative decision or court order during the effective period of the decision or court order.

- E. The <u>owner or custodian of the dog shallmust</u> complete an obedience course for a minimum of ten (10) hours of training with the <u>dog</u>, at the owner or custodian's at his or her expense within sixty (60) calendar days after release of the dog to <u>itsthe</u> owner or custodian. The course <u>shallmust</u> be a <u>course</u> approved by the dDepartment <u>prior tobefore</u> the release of the dog to the owner or custodian. If the dog was not impounded, the dog owner or custodian <u>shallmust</u> obtain approval <u>of the course</u> by the dDepartment within fourteen (14) calendar days after the decision or court order declaring the dog to be potentially dangerous is served on the dog owner or custodian.
- F. The dog shallmust be spayed or neutered at the expense of the owner or custodian prior tobefore the release of the dog to its owner or custodian. If the dog was not impounded, the dog owner or custodian shallmust provide proof that the dog has been spayed or neutered within thirty (30) calendar days after the decision or court order declaring the dog to be potentially dangerous is served on the dog owner or custodian.

- G. The dog may be required to wear a bright reflective collar visible at 50 feet in normal daylight, which will be provided by the department at the owner or custodian's exp
- H.G. The owner or custodian of the dog may be required to maintain general liability insurance covering property damage and bodily injury caused by a potentially dangerous or vicious dog, with a combined single limit of \$300,000.00 per occurrence. If required to maintain such-insurance, the owner or custodian is required to must show proof of insurance within fourteen (14) calendar days after the decision or court order declaring the dog to be potentially dangerous is served on the dog owner or custodian.
- Fig. All charges for services performed by the dDepartment-pursuant to this Section 10.37.130 and all fines shallmust be paid prior to before the release of the dog to its owner or custodian or within fourteen (14) calendar days after the services are performed or the charges and fines are ordered to be paid. If saidthe owner or custodian does not take possession of the dog and pay the charges and fines are not paid within fourteen (14) calendar days after the services are performed or the fines are ordered to be paid, the dog shallwill be deemed to be abandoned and may be disposed of by the dDepartment.
- J.I. If the determination that a dog is potentially dangerous under Section 10.37.020, is made pursuant to a court hearing, after a court hearing, the judicial officer shallmust impose a fine on the owner and/or custodian not to exceed up to \$500.00 for each separate basis upon which the determination was made. The fine shallwill be

paid to the dDepartment for the purpose ofto defraying the costs of the implementation of this chapter.

K.J. A judicial officer or administrative hearing officer may impose such other reasonable conditions asthat are deemed necessary to protect the public safety and welfare.

SECTION 201. Section 10.37.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.140. Consequences of <u>vVicious dDog dDetermination</u>.

- A. A dog determined to be a vicious dog may be destroyed by the dDepartment when it is found, after proceedings a hearing conducted under Section 10.37.110, that the release of the dog would create a significant threat to the public health, safety, and or welfare.
- B. If it is determined that a dog found to be vicious shallwill not be destroyed, the judicial officer or administrative hearing officer shallmust impose the conditions on an owner and custodian of potentially dangerous dogs required by Section 10.37.130, the conditions required by this section, and any other conditions necessary to protect the public health, safety, andor welfare.
- C. The enclosure that is required <u>pursuant toby</u> subsection B of Section 10.37.130 <u>shallmust</u> be an enclosure <u>whichthat</u> is enclosed on all sides, and <u>which</u> is locked by a padlock. It may be required to have a top and a cement floor. The enclosure <u>shallmust</u> be approved <u>in writing</u> by the <u>dDepartment prior toin writing before</u> the release of the dog to the owner or custodian. If the dog was not impounded, the dog owner or custodian <u>shallmust</u> obtain <u>the written</u> approval <u>byof</u> the <u>dDepartment</u>

within fourteen (14) calendar days after the decision or court order declaring the dog to be vicious is served on the dog owner or custodian.

- D. The owner or custodian of a vicious dog shallmust give written notice of the vicious dog determination to the United States Post Office (local branch) and to all utility companies which provide providing services to the premises where the dog is kept. The owner or custodian shallmust provide a copy of the notices to the dDepartment prior tobefore the release of the dog from impound. If the dog was not impounded, the dog owner or custodian shallmust provide a copy of the required notices to the dDepartment within fourteen (14) calendar days after the administrative hearing or court determination declaring that the dog is vicious.
- E. The owner or custodian of the dog shallmust post one or more signs on the premises, at a location(s), approved by the dDepartment, stating that a vicious dog which has been determined to be vicious resides on the premises. The sign(s) shallmust be posted within fourteen (14) calendar days after the decision or court order declaring the dog to be vicious is served on the owner or custodian.
- F. If the determination that a dog is vicious under Section 10.37.030, is made pursuant toafter a court hearing, the judicial officer shallmust impose a fine on the owner and/or custodian not to exceed of up to \$1,000.00 for each separate basis upon which saidthe determination was made. The fine shallmust be paid to the dDepartment for the purpose ofto defraying the cost of the implementation of this chapter.
- G. The owner or custodian of a dog determined to be a vicious dog may be prohibited from owning, keeping, possessing, controlling, or having custody of any dog

for a period of up to three years, if it is found at the hearing conducted pursuant to the petition to declare the dog vicious, that ownership or possession of a dog by that person would create a significant threat to the public health, safety, andor welfare.

SECTION 202. Section 10.37.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.150. Compliance with e \underline{C} onditions and e \underline{C} onsequences of \underline{V} iolation of e \underline{C} onditions.

- A. The hearing officer or judicial officer who heard the petition to determine if a dog is potentially dangerous or vicious may schedule follow-up hearing dates to ensure compliance with all conditions imposed.
- B. Consequences that may result from the failure of an owner or custodian of a dog released after a hearing pursuant to Section 10.37.110 or Section 10.37.120 to comply with any of the conditions imposed under Section 10.37.130 or Section 10.37.140 include, but are not limited to, the following:
- 1. The failure to comply with any condition is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period not to exceeding six months, or by both suchthe fine and imprisonment;
- 2. A violation of any part of an administrative decision or court order may be the subject of a civil action for injunctive relief to enjoin the person who violated the decision or order. The filing and prosecution of an action for injunctive relief shalldoes not limit the authority or ability of the County to take any other action permitted by law;

3. A violation of an administrative decision or court order following a determination that a dog is potentially dangerous, may result in the filing of an action to determine if the dog is vicious under Section 10.37.030.C.

SECTION 203. Section 10.37.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.160. Removal of dDesignation.

A. Potentially Dangerous Dog.

If there are no additional instances of the behavior described in Section 10.37.020 within a 36-month period from the date of designation as a potentially dangerous dog, the dog shallwill be removed from the list of potentially dangerous dogs. The dog may, but is not required to be, removed from the list of potentially dangerous dogs prior to before the expiration of the 36-month period if the owner or custodian of the dog demonstrates to the department Director that changes in circumstances or measures taken by the owner or custodian, such as the training of the dog, have mitigated reduced the risk to the public safety.

B. Vicious Dog.

A vicious dog determination based on Section 10.37.030.A. may be removed after one year if the dog is two years of age or older and the owner or custodian demonstrates to the Director that the dog poses no threat to people or animals.

SECTION 204. Section 10.37.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.170. Exceptions.

A.—No dog may be declared potentially dangerous or vicious if:

- A. The any injury or damage is sustained by a person who, at the time the injury or damage was sustained, was committing a willful trespass or other tort upon premises occupied by the owner or custodian of the dog, or was teasing, tormenting, abusing, or assaulting the dog, or was committing or attempting to commit a crime;
- B. No dog may be declared potentially dangerous or vicious if The dog was protecting or defending a person from an unjustified attack or assault within the immediate vicinity of the dog from an unjustified attack or assault.
- C. No dog may be declared potentially dangerous or vicious if Tthe injury or damage was sustained by an domestic animalor livestock which at the time of the injury or damage was sustained was teasing, tormenting, abusing or assaultingthat, at the time of the injury, initiated an attack against the dog:
- B.D. No dog may be declared potentially dangerous or vicious if The injury or damage to a domestic animal or livestock was sustained by an animal while the dog was working as a hunting dog, herding dog, or predator_control dog on the property of, or while under the control of, its owner or custodian; and the damage or injury was to a species or type of domestic animal or livestock appropriate to the work of the dog.

SECTION 205. Section 10.37.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.37.180. Infraction/mMisdemeanor pPenalty for dDog bBites.

In addition to the conditions and restrictions imposed on the ownership of potentially dangerous and vicious dogs set forth in this chapter, an An owner or custodian of a dog who permits, allows or causes a dog to run, stray or be uncontrolled or at large on public property, or on in or upon the private property of another person, or

on common areas of private property is guilty of a public offense punishable as an infraction, or a misdemeanor if such the dog bites, attacks or causes injury to any injures a person or to a domestic animal or livestock.

SECTION 206. Section 10.39.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.39.010. Rodeos—Purpose of sSection—Permit rRequired.

- A. The purpose of this section is to provide the department with a method to supervise and enforce minimum safety standards in the care and conduct of animals used in rodeos. The department shall establish standard rules and safety regulations for the general conduct of rodeos in order to accomplish such purpose. The Department is authorized to establish and enforce standard rules and safety regulations relating to the use of animals in rodeos.
- B. Notwithstanding In addition to complying with the provisions of Section 7.90.590 of this code, any applicant for a rodeo permit shallmust furnish the dDepartment with the following:
- A list of all proposed events and acts, including the dates, times, and locations of all events and acts each;
- 2. A detailed diagram of the arena indicating the location of chutes, catch chutes, and pens for all events and acts; and
- 3. A copy of the applicant's rules and regulations which will governgoverning the conduct of the contestants and events, except that such rules shall be consistent with the standard rules and regulations for rodeos established by the department demonstrating compliance with the Department's regulations.

C. No person shallone may intentionally trip or fell any equine animal by the legs or by any means whatsoever for the purpose of entertainment or sport.

SECTION 207. Section 10.40.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.010. Animal <u>Ceare</u>—Requirements for <u>aA</u>nimal <u>oO</u>wners and <u>aAnimal fFacilities</u>.

EveryA person, within the county of Los Angeles, who owns any animal or who owns, conducts, manages or operates any animal facility for which a license is required by this Division 1, shallmust comply with each of the following conditions, the failure of which is a misdemeanor:

- A. Housing facilities for animals shallmust be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair, to protect the animals from injury, to-contain the animals, and to-restrict the entrance of other animals.
- B. All animals must shall-be supplied with sufficient-good and wholesome food and water suitable for the age, species, and nutritional requirements of the animal. and Animals must have access at all times to potable water that is free from debris, unless otherwise directed by a veterinarian. and is readily accessible and available as eften as the feeding habits of the respective animals require. All animal food must be properly stored to prevent contamination, infestation by vermin, and exposure to the elements.
- C. Animals shallmust be groomed and kept in a manner whichthat is not injurious to their health. All animal buildings or enclosures shallmust be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition to control odors and to-prevent the spread of disease.

- D. All animals shallmust be so-maintained asin a manner to eliminate excessive and nighttime noise.
- E. No animals shallmay be without attention for more than 12 consecutive hours; whenever an animal is left unattended at a commercial animal facility, the telephone number of the dDepartment of animal care and control, or the name, address, and telephone number of the responsible person, shallmust be posted in a conspicuous place at the front of the property. Animal facilities that breed dogs shallmust comply with the applicable minimum staffing requirements set forth in Section 10.40.200.
- F. Animals shallmay not be neglected, teased, abused, mistreated, annoyed, tormented, or in any manner made to suffer by any person or means.
- G. No condition shallmay be maintained or permitted that is or could be injurious to the animals.
- H. Tethering of animals is prohibited except as permitted under California

 Health and Safety Code Ssection 122335.
- HI. Animal buildings and enclosures shallmust be so constructed and maintained as to prevent escape of animals. All reasonable precautions shallmust be taken to protect the animals and the public from the animals and the animals from the public.
- LJ. EveryAn animal facility shallmust isolate sick animals so as to not to endanger the health of other animals.
- JK. EveryA building or enclosure where animals are maintained for animals must be kept in a sanitary condition and in good repair, and shallmust be constructed of

material easily cleaned and shall be kept in a sanitary condition and in good repair. The building shallmust be properly ventilated to prevent drafts and to remove odors.

Heating and cooling shallmust be provided as required, according toto meet the physical need of the animals, with sufficient light to allow observation of the animals and proper sanitation. An animal facility housing animals must be equipped with working smoke alarms and have means of fire suppression, such as a sprinkler system in each room where animals are kept, or functioning fire extinguishers.

KL. An animal shallmust be taken to a veterinarian for examination or treatment, if the director finds it necessary to maintain the health of the animal, and the Director orders the owner or custodian to do so.

LM. All animal enclosures, including, but not limited to, rooms, cages, and kennel runs, shallmust be of sufficient size to provide adequate and proper accommodations for the animals kept therein housed there. An enclosure with a wire bottom may enly be used temporarily for dogs, and be in compliance only if it complies with Health and Safety Code Sections 122065 and 122065.5. If enclosures, such as crates and other mobile enclosures, are stacked upon one another, or on a surface other than the floor, the crates/enclosures must be securely fastened and designed and arranged so that: there is no danger of an enclosure falling; the animals do not have direct access to one another; and waste from one (1) enclosure cannot be transmitted to another enclosure. Food and water containers must be secured to prevent spillage. Crates may be stacked no more than two (2) crates high.

- MN. EveryA violation of an applicable regulation ordinance shallmust be corrected within a reasonable the time to be specified by the dDirector.
- NO. Proper shelter and protection from the weather shallmust be provided at all times.
- OP. An animal shallmust not be given any alcoholic beverage, unless prescribed by a veterinarian.
- PQ. Animals whichthat are natural enemies, temperamentally unsuited, or otherwise incompatible, shallmust not be quarteredhoused together, or so near each other as to cause injury, fear, or torment. If two Two or more animals are so trained that they can be placed together and do not attack each other or perform or attempt any hostile act to the others, such animals shall be deemed not to be natural enemies.can be housed together if they do not harm each other.
- QR. Any tack, equipment, device, substance, or material that is, or could be, injurious or cause unnecessary cruelty to any animal shall not may not be used.
- RS. Working animals shallmust be given adequate rest periods. Confined or restrained animals shallmust be given appropriate exercise appropriate for the individual animal under particular conditions.
- <u>ST</u>. An animal <u>whichthat</u> is <u>overheated</u>, weakened, exhausted, sick, injured, diseased, lame, or otherwise unfit <u>shallmay</u> not be worked, <u>or</u> used-<u>or rented</u>.
- Ŧ<u>U</u>. Any animal whichthat the d<u>D</u>epartment has suspended from use may not be worked or used until released by the d<u>D</u>epartment.

- UV. Animals bearing evidence of malnutrition, ill health, unhealed injury, or having been kept in an unsanitary condition shallmay not be displayed.
- ₩. Any animal whose appearance is or may be offensive or contrary to public decency shallmay not be displayed.
- \underline{WX} . No animal shallmay be allowed to constitute or cause a hazard, or be a menace to the health, peace, or safety of the community.
- \underline{XY} . A person shall not may not violate any condition imposed by the \underline{dD} irector on any license issued by the \underline{dD} epartment.

SECTION 208. Section 10.40.015 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.015. Sale of <u>Live aAnimals—Prohibited at sSwap mMeet.</u>

Any person who maintains, operates, leases, rents or lends space at a swap meet shall not permit, cause, display for, or promote the sale of live animals at such swap meet. Live animals may not be displayed, sold, or promoted for sale at a swap meet. "Live animal" as defined by this section shall includes, but is not limited to, dogs, cats, birds, fish, poultry, rabbits, and livestock.

SECTION 209. Section 10.40.016 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.016. Sale of aAnimals on sShelter pProperty.

No person shall sell, barter, give away or accept animals on shelter property

Animals may not be sold or otherwise transferred to another person at County animal care centers unless authorized by the dDirector.

SECTION 210. Section 10.40.020 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.40.020. Young rabbits or fowl—Certain acts prohibited.

A. A person shall not:

- 1. Sell, offer for sale, barter, or give away, as pets, toys, premiums or novelties any baby chickens, ducklings or other fowl under three months of age, or rabbits under two months of age; or
- 2. Color, dye, stain or otherwise change the natural color of the above described fowl or rabbits; or
- 3. Bring or transport the above-described fowl or rabbits into the county of Los Angeles.
- B. This section does not prohibit any act prohibited by, or permitted by, Section 599 of the Penal Code or any other statute.

SECTION 211. Section 10.40.030 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.40.030. Young rabbits or fowl—Display, maintenance or sale permitted when.

This chapter does not prohibit the sale or display of any of the fowls or rabbits described herein, in proper facilities by breeders or stores engaged in the business of selling for commercial breeding or raising, or for food, or their exhibition at any fair, show or exhibit where such fowls or animals are displayed for commercial purposes and in the interest of improving agriculture or industry.

SECTION 212. Section 10.40.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.040. Animal fFacilities—Records rRequired for eEach aAnimal.

- A. The holder of A person who has an animal facility license shall maintain must keep available for inspection on the premises the following current records: which shall be available for inspection on the premises:
- 1. The name, and current address and telephone number contact information of the owner of each animal kept at the animal facility;
- 2. The date the animal entered and left the animal facility, including the records of animals that dieany animal that died while at the facility;
- The reason for the animal beingthat the animal was at the animal facility, such as for boarding, sale, breeding, or grooming;
- 4. The description of the animal, including its age, breed, sex, color, and other available identifying information, such as an animal license number, tattoo, or microchip registration number.
- B. A current, valid rabies certificate shallmust be maintained for every dog everand cat older than four months of age while the dog or cat is kept at the animal facility.
- C. Any animal facility selling dogs and/or cats to the public shallmust post a conspicuous notice containing the following information breeder's name, address, and license number on each dog or cat's cage. the breeder's name, address and license number-If the breeder's name is not known, then the name and address of the person from whom the dog or cat was obtained shallmust be displayed.

A violation of any requirement of this section is a misdemeanor.

SECTION 213. Section 10.40.050 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.40.050. Dog kennels—Surfacing and sanitation of dog runs.

Dog kennel runs shall be of concrete, provided with adequate draining for proper sanitation, or, if sand or pea gravel is used, droppings must be picked up and disposed of and the runs treated periodically with an effective disinfectant.

SECTION 214. Section 10.40.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.060. Animal nuisances prohibited where. Excessive Animal Noise.

A. A person having custody of any dog or animal shall not permit, either wilfully or through failure to exercise due care or control, any such dog or animal to commit any nuisance upon the sidewalk of any public highway; or upon the floor of any common hall in any apartment house, tenement house, hotel or other multiple dwelling; or upon any entranceway, stairway or wall immediately abutting on a public sidewalk; or upon the floor of any theater, shop, store, office building or other building used in common by the public; or upon the floor or stairway of any depot or station or public waiting room; or upon the floor, stairway, entranceway, office, lobby or patio used in common by the public; or, without the consent of the owner or person in lawful occupation thereof, any lawn, yard, or any other private property whatever, which is either improved or occupied.

B. It is unlawful for the owner or person having custody of any dog or other animal to permit, either wilfully or through failure to exercise due care or control, any

such dog or animal to commit any nuisance and to allow such nuisance to thereafter remain upon any public or private property not owned or possessed by the owner or person in control of said animal, provided that the person who owns, harbors, keeps or has charge or control of a dog (other than a sightless person who has charge or control of a guide dog) shall immediately and securely enclose all feces deposited by such dog in a bag, wrapper or other container and dispose of the same in a sanitary manner. Any person (other than a sightless person with a guide dog) who has charge or control of a dog in a location other than on the property of such person or the property of the owner of the dog, shall have in his or her possession a suitable wrapper, bag or container (other than articles of personal clothing) for the purpose of complying with the requirements of this section. Failure of such person to carry such wrapper, bag or container when in charge or control of a dog in a location other than on property of such person or the property of the owner of the dog or animal shall constitute a violation of this section.

C. For the purpose of this section a "nuisance" committed by a dog or animal shall mean defecation by said animal.

A. Excessive Noise. It is unlawful for an owner or custodian of an animal to allow the animal to emit any excessive noise after the Department has issued a written notice of an excessive noise complaint. For purposes of this section, the term "excessive noise" means a noise that is unreasonably annoying, disturbing, offensive, or which unreasonably interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property. The provisions of this section do not apply to an animal facility permitted by zoning law.

B. Complaints. All complaints to the Department regarding violations of subdivision A. must be made in writing, signed under penalty of perjury, and must include the name, address, and telephone number of the complainant(s), as well as the address of the animal owner or custodian and a description of the noise, including the date(s) and approximate times of the excessive noise.

C. Violations.

- 1. First Violation. The Department will issue a written notice to the owner or custodian of the animal advising of the noise complaint, after it receives a written complaint of excessive noise based on verifiable information. The notice will order the owner or custodian to abate the excessive noise within 10 days of the notice ("compliance date").
- 2. Second Violation. A second violation occurs if the animal owner or custodian fails to stop the excessive noise by the compliance date. A second violation is an infraction punishable by a fine of up to \$100.
- 3. Third Violation. A third violation occurs after a second violation if the animal owner or custodian fails to stop the excessive noise within 10 days after the notice of the second violation is mailed. A third violation is an infraction punishable by a fine of up to \$200.
- 4. Subsequent Violations. Each subsequent violation after the third violation within one year of the original complaint is an additional infraction punishable by a fine of up to \$500.

SECTION 215. Section 10.40.065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.065. Animal Public nNuisance.

A. Any animal (or animals) which molests passersby or passing vehicles, attacks other animals, trespasses on school grounds, is repeatedly at large, damages and or trespasses on private or public property, barks, whines or howls in a continuous or untimely fashion, shall be considered a public nuisance.

B. Every person who maintains, permits or allows a public nuisance to exist upon his or her property or premises, and every person occupying or leasing the property or premises of another and who maintains, permits or allows a public nuisance as described above to exist thereon, after reasonable notice in writing from the department of animal care and control has been served upon such person to cease such nuisance, is guilty of a misdemeanor. The existence of such nuisance for each and every day after the service of such notice shall be deemed a separate and distinct offense.

A. Definition. An animal nuisance arises when an animal bites or otherwise injures a person, attacks other animals, is repeatedly at large, damages and/or strays on private or public property, or otherwise interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property.

B. Violation. When the Department receives a complaint of an animal nuisance, it will issue a written notice to the owner or custodian of the animal advising of the nuisance, and ordering the owner to correct the nuisance. An animal owner or

custodian who fails to immediately correct the animal nuisance after receiving written notice from the Department is guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECTION 216. Section 10.40.66 is hereby added to read as follows:

10.40.066. Waste Removal.

A person who owns or has custody of a dog (except a visually-impaired person with a guide dog) is required to remove the dog's feces immediately from public property or private property not owned or possessed by the owner or custodian of the dog. The dog's feces must be disposed of in a sanitary manner. A violation of this section is an infraction punishable by a fine of up to \$100.

SECTION 217. Section 10.40.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.070. Wild animals—Enclosure rRequirements.

All-Wwild animals shallmust be maintained in buildings, enclosed yards, paddocks, or cages, as specified by the dDirector, and such shallmust be kept at distances from adjacent buildings as specified in Los Angeles County Zoning Ordinance 1494, codified at Title 22, and Los Angeles County Public Health Code Ordinance 7583, codified at Title 11in applicable zoning and health code laws.

SECTION 218. Section 10.40.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.080. Wild animals—<u>Transportation</u> Exemptions to applicability of Division 1 regulations.

The provisions of this Division 1 shall not apply to any person keeping or maintaining in his possession or control any wild animal when such person is only transporting such animal through the county and has taken adequate safeguards to

protect the public, and has notified the Los Angeles County sheriff's department and the director of the proposed route of transportation and time thereof. A person transporting a wild animal through the County of Los Angeles must take adequate precautions to protect the public, and must notify the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Department if an animal escapes.

SECTION 219. Section 10.40.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.090. Liability of <u>Licensees for aActs of eEmployees</u>.

Any act or omission of any employee of an animal care facility in caring for the animals is assumed to be an act or omission of the licensee.

SECTION 220. Section 10.40.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 10.40.100. Animal <u>fFacility lLicense hHolders</u> to <u>pProvide lLists</u> of aAnimals <u>sSold—Advertisement and <u>vVaccination rRequirements</u>.</u>
- A. Each holder of A person who has an animal facility license within the authority of Los Angeles County shall provide must complete a form provided by the dDepartment of animal care and control with a regular listing of all animals sold, including the name and address of the owner, according to the procedure and form as provided by the director and submit it to the Department upon demand.
- B. An advertisement for the sale or adoption of an animal shallmust include the animal facility license number or breeding license number of the seller.
- C. EveryAn animal facility must shall-maintain records confirming that each dog and cat in its custody and control has received a rabies vaccination, as required by this code obtain a rabies vaccination for each dog within its custody or control in

records to a new owner. Upon the sale of any dog for which an animal facility has obtained a vaccination pursuant to this section, the owner of the animal facility shall provide the purchaser of the dog with the certificate of vaccination.

SECTION 221. Section 10.40.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.40.200. Breeding <u>License</u>, <u>FRestrictions</u> and <u>FRequirements</u>.

- A. General Requirements.
- 1. Dog Breeding License. A dog breeding license is an animal facility license issued to a person who breeds dogs commercially. A person, as defined in Section 10.08.190, applying for a dog breeding license shallmust comply with all licensing requirements set forth in Section 10.28.050, all other applicable ordinances, and all federal and Setate laws, including, but not limited to, Health and Safety Code Section 122045, et seq. Approval from the Veterinary Public Health division, Environmental Health division, or any other division of the Department of Public Health public health officer may be required, if necessary, due to because of health concerns. The size category of the dog to be bred (Adult size: 1-20 lbs.; 21-50 lbs.; 51-100 lbs.; and 101+ lbs.) and the number of dogs to be housed at the facility shallwill be noted stated on the license. A change in the size category of dogs bred requires re-inspection and a new license application.
- 2. Breeding Facilities Housing Fifty (50) or Fewer Sexually Intact Dogs
 Over the Age of One (1) Year. An animal facility may not have more than a total of fifty
 (50) sexually intact dogs over the age of one (1) year, unless it meets the requirements

of Subsection A.3. below. An animal facility having fifty (50) or fewer dogs shallmust have adequate staffing on the premises of the animal facility to attend to the dogs at least eight (8) hours in every twenty-four (24) hour period, so long as the dogs are not left unattended for longer than twelve (12) continuous hours. Whenever the dogs are left unattended, the telephone number of the dDepartment of animal care and control, or the name, address, and telephone number of the responsible person, shallmust be posted in a conspicuous place at the front of the property.

3. Breeding Facilities Housing Fifty-One (51) or More Sexually Intact Dogs Over the Age of One (1) Year. The dDirector may approve an application for fifty-one (51) or more dogs if the applicant complies with the following additional requirements:

a. Facilities with fifty-one (51) or more sexually intact dogs over the age of one (1) year will be re_inspected more frequently. The number of re_ inspections per year is determined by the number of dogs housed in the facility:

51-75 dogs:

one (1) annual re-inspection;

76-100 dogs:

two (2) annual re-inspections;

101-125 dogs:

three (3) annual re_inspections;

126-150 dogs:

four (4) annual re-inspections;

151 + dogs:

five (5) annual re-inspections.

b. The animal facility demonstrates that it is able to house and care for the number of dogs in compliance with the requirements of this section and all applicable requirements of Title 10;

- c. The animal facility provides a written medical program, approved by a California licensed veterinarian, to prevent and control illness and parasitism. The program must include a regular de-worming schedule and a regular vaccination schedule against commonly transmitted canine diseases, and must be updated annually;
- that an annual veterinary examination has been performed on each intact male or female dog over one (1) year of age. The record of each exam must reflect that a physical exam consisting of auscultation and palpation, and a visual evaluation of the dog including eyes, ears, mouth and general body condition was performed. The record of each exam must also include the weight, temperature, heart rate, respiration, any significant medical findings relating to the dog's condition, and any recommendations for treatment;
- e. The animal facility obtains approval from the dDirector of an emergency response plan, which is updated annually; and
- f. The animal facility maintains adequate staffing at the facility eighteen (18)-hours a day to attend to the animals. Whenever an animal is left unattended, the telephone number of the dDepartment of animal care and control, or the name, address and telephone number of the responsible person, shallmust be posted in a conspicuous place at the front of the property.
 - B. Health of Breeding Dogs.

- 1. A female unaltered dog shallmust be at least twelve (12) months old before being bred. Records of litters birthed are required to be maintained pursuant to Subsection D. below;
- 2. Offspring shallmay not be removed from the premises earlier than eight (8) weeks of age except for medical reasons ordered by a California licensed veterinarian. The order shallmust be in writing, state the medical reason for early separation, and be provided to the dDepartment, if requested, up to two (2) years after its issuance.
 - C. Housing Requirements.
- 1. The housing for the animals shallbe housed in accordance must comply with Section 10.40.010;
- Each pregnant dog shallmust be housed separately at least three
 days before giving birth and be monitored at reasonable intervals;
- 3. A dog who has just given birth shallmust be provided with a contained nesting area and housed with her litter in their own run or enclosure until the newborns are weaned.
 - D. Dog Identification and Recordkeeping.
- 1. The following current records shallmust be maintained and produced upon request to determine licensing compliance or for any other purpose relating to the public health, safety, or welfare. These records shallmust be provided to a purchaser of any dog sold or transferred to another person by the facility:

- a. All dogs shallmust be microchipped or tattooed upon reaching the age of four (4) months or prior to sale or transfer, whichever is earlier.

 Microchip and tattoo records shallmust be kept for all dogs.
- b. In addition to the records required by California Health and Safety Code Sections 122050 and 122055 relating to dogs, breeding facilities shallmust keep the following records for all dogs: the date and from whom the dog was acquired; the date of each litter birthed by each female animal; veterinary records; and the cause of death and the method of disposal.
- 2. Knowingly providing false information or records relating to any animal is a misdemeanor.
- E. Reasonable Restrictions on the Breeding of Animals Other Than Dogs. Breeders of animals, other than dogs, whichthat are normally kept as pets for sale or exchange in return for consideration, shallmust comply with all applicable requirements of Section 10.40.010. In addition, the dDirector may impose reasonable conditions on a breeding license, including a limitation on the number of animals permitted at a facility, and may impose recordkeeping requirements, in the interest of the health and safety of the public and of the animals.
- F. Noncompliance—Penalties. The penalties for violations of any provision of this Section 10.40.200 are as follows:
- 1. First Violation. A first violation shall be is an infraction punishable by a fine not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars of up to (\$250). If the owner or custodian

fails to correct the underlying cause of the violation within thirty (30) days after being notified of the violation, it shall be deemed a second violation.

- 2. Second Violation. A violation within a year of a first violation shall be deemed a second violation. A second violation is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the eCounty jail for a period not to exceed up to six (6) months or by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars of up to (\$1,000), or both. Each subsequent violation within one (1) year shall be considered of the first violation is an additional misdemeanor.
- G. Noncompliance—Injunctive Relief. Any act or failure to act which is ain violation of this Section 10.40.200-may be the subject of a civil action to enjoin the person so acting or failing to act to conform his or her conduct to the provisions of this Section 10.40.200ensure compliance. The filing and prosecution of such an action shall, in no waywill not limit the authority or ability of the County to enforce the requirements of Section 10.40.200 or to impose penalties or take any other action permitted by law.

SECTION 222. Section 10.80.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.80.010. Transporting dpogs in eopen vyehicles pprohibited

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A. No person shall<u>It is unlawful for a person to</u> transport any dog in or on the back or bed of any open truck or other open vehicle while traveling on any e<u>C</u>ounty road, street, highway, lane, or alley, <u>unless the dog is cross tethered to a harness or the back or bed of the vehicle is partially enclosed by stakes, racks, or other similar devices</u>

that rise at least two feet, nine inches above the tops of the sides and back of the vehicle, and are designed to prevent the dog from falling or escaping from the vehicle.

A violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

B. This section shall not apply to any person who transports a dog in any open truck or other open vehicle which is partially enclosed by stakes, racks or other similar devices which rise at least two feet, nine inches above the tops of the sides and back of the vehicle, and which are designed to prevent the dog from falling or escaping from the vehicle.

SECTION 223. Section 10.80.020 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.80.020. Violation—Penalty.

Violation of any provision of this chapter is a misdemeanor.

SECTION 224. Section 10.84.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.84.010. Providing <u>fFood</u> for <u>eCertain <u>fRodents</u> or <u>pPredator</u>

<u>aAnimals <u>pProhibited</u>.</u></u>

- A. Except as otherwise provided for herein, no person shall feed or in any manner provide food to a nondomesticated rodent or a nondomesticated mammalian predator. It is unlawful to feed a nondomesticated rodent or nondomesticated mammalian predator as defined in this section, unless:
- 1. The person is the owner of the animal and the animal is kept in accordance with the requirements of the State Department of Fish and Wildlife; or
- 2. After notifying the responsible agency to pick up the animal, the person provides food to a trapped or injured animal.

- B. For purposes of this chapter:
 - 1. "Rodent" includes ground squirrels;
- 2. "Mammalian predators" includes coyotes, raccoons, foxes, and opossums.
 - C. A violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

SECTION 225. Section 10.84.020 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.84.020. Feeding animals permitted when.

A person may feed or provide food to a nondomesticated rodent or a nondomesticated mammalian predator under the following instances:

A. When the person is the owner of such a rodent or mammalian predator, and such rodent or predator is kept under a valid certificate or permit issued by the State of California Department of Fish and Game;

B. When the person feeds or provides food to a trapped, injured or unweaned nondomesticated rodent or predator between the time the agency in charge of animal control or its designated agent is notified and picked up by said agency.

SECTION 226. Section 10.84.030 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.84.030. Violation—Penalty.

A violation of any provision of this chapter shall be an infraction.

SECTION 227. Section 10.86.010 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.86.010. Interference with police dogs.

It is unlawful for any person to wilfully tease, torment, agitate, provoke, beat, kick, strike, injure, maim, disable, kill, or in any way interfere with any dog being used in a police function by law enforcement officers.

SECTION 228. Section 10.86.020 is hereby deleted in its entirety:

10.86.020. Violation—Penalty.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor,

SECTION 229. Section 10.90.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.90.010. Licensing fFees sSchedule.

The license fees required to be paid are as follows, except that the dDirector may waive any, reduce, or refund fees in cases of for undue hardship:

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and pays the license fee required under this section will be issued a tag and	
license that must be renewed annually.	
A. Dog license and tag fees:	
Dogs over four months:	
1. Unaltered (Unspayed/unneutered)	\$60.00
(\$5 of each fee received is designated for low cost spay/neuter program)	\$00.00
2. Altered (Spayed/neutered)	\$20.00
(\$5 of each fee received is designated for low cost spay/neuter program)	<u>\$</u> 20.00
3. Senior citizen—Spayed/neutered dog	<u>\$</u> 7.50
4. Disabled Veteran	\$7.50
45. A Ddelinquency charge for annual license renewal equivalent to the	
cost of the license, will be added to the license fee if the renewal application is	
submitted more than 10 calendar days past the expiration date of a license, or	
if a license application was not otherwise timely submitted.equal to the cost of	
the license will be added if the license application or renewal is not submitted	
within 30 days after the due date.	
56. Replacement of tag or official license receipt	<u>\$</u> 5.00
67. Transfer of ownership	\$5.00
	\$5.00

8. Guide dogs or Seeing Eye dogs, signal dogs, and service dogs (one-time registration fee)	5.00
9. Field enforcement fee: The owner or custodian of a dog found unlicensed by a dDepartment employee in the field will be charged a field enforcement fee.	<u>\$</u> 40.00
B. Cat license fees:	
1. Unspayed/unneutered	<u>\$</u> 10.00
2. Spayed/neutered	<u>\$</u> 5.00
3. Replacement cat tag	<u>\$</u> 5.00
4. Transfer of ownership	<u>\$</u> 5.00
5. A Ddelinquency charge for annual license renewal equivalent to the cost of the license, will be added to the license fee if the renewal is submitted more than 10 calendar days past the expiration date of a license, or if a license application was not otherwise timely submitted equal to the cost of the license will be added if the license application or renewal is not submitted within 30 days after the due date.	
6. Field enforcement fee: The owner or custodian of a cat found unlicensed by a dDepartment employee in the field will be charged a field enforcement fee.	<u>\$</u> 40.00

C. Other animals—Licenses required:	***************************************
1. Pygmy pigs	<u>\$</u> 50.00
2. Wild animals	<u>\$</u> 100.00
3. Service animals – one time registration fee.	\$5.00
34. A Ddelinquency charge for annual license renewal equivalent to the cost of the license, will be added to the license fee if the renewal is submitted more than 10 calendar days past the expiration date of a license, or if a license application was not otherwise timely submitted.	
4 <u>5</u> . Field enforcement fee: The owner or custodian of an animal found unlicensed by a department employee in the field will be charged a field enforcement fee.	<u>\$</u> 40.00
D. Voluntary identification and registration:	1000 to 1000 t
Any dog or catanimal may be registered in the dDepartment's Voluntary dentification Program. shall be assigned an identification number by tattoo, microchip or other available means of identification, at the owner's requestSuchat the owner's request, if the animal is microchipped and upon the payment of the following fees:	
1. Initial identification and registration	<u>\$</u> 20.00
2. Annual renewal	<u>\$</u> 10.00

3. Transfer of ownership	<u>\$</u> 5.00
II. Animal Facility Licenses.	Fees
Licenses for the animal facilities listed below are required to be obtained	
annually.	
A. Initial animal facility license fees (including inspection):	
1. License fees:	
a. Pet shop	\$250.00
b. Grooming parlor/mobile	\$250.00
c. Animal menagerie	<u>\$</u> 250.00
d. Wholesale <u>W</u>wi ld animal dealer	<u>\$</u> 250.00
e. Hobby breeder (See Section 10.20.045)	<u>\$</u> 250.00
f. Rodeo	er eleganis a santan-sant elem-sant elem-sant elem-sant elem-sant elem-sant elem-sant elem-sant elem-sant elem-
(i) First day or one day event	<u>\$</u> 250.00
(ii) Each additional day	<u>\$</u> 25.00
g. Animal exhibition	
(i) First day or one day event	\$250.00
(ii) Each additional day	\$25.00
h. Pygmy pig breeder	<u>\$</u> 250.00

i. Non-profit humane organization facility	<u>\$</u> 250.00
j. Dog and cat breeding and/or boarding facility:	
For purposes of license fee computation, fee is based on 75 percent of the	
total capacity of the facility or the actual animal population housed at the time	
of the inspection, whichever is greater.	Consideration of Commission and Comm
(i) 4-20 dogs or cats	\$300.00
(ii) 21-50 dogs or cats	\$350.00
(iii) 51-75 dogs or cats	\$400.00
(iv) 76-100 dogs or cats	<u>\$</u> 450.00
(v) Over 100 dogs or cats	<u>\$</u> 525.00
2. Penalty for operation of an animal facility without license. A penalty equivalent to the cost of the license will be added to the license fee if a facility operates without a license.	
3. Fee reduction for each additional animal facility application made at the same location at the same time.	<u>\$</u> 125.00
B. Renewal animal facility license fees (including inspection):	
1. All animal facilities:	\
a. Pet shop	<u>\$</u> 175.00
b. Grooming parlor/mobile	<u>\$</u> 175.00

c. Animal menagerie	<u>\$</u> 175.00
d. Wholesale wild animal dealer	<u>\$</u> 175.00
e. Hobby breeder (defined in Section 10.20.045)	<u>\$</u> 175.00
f. Pygmy pig breeder	<u>\$</u> 175.00
g. Non-profit humane organization	<u>\$</u> 175.00
h. Dog and cat breeding and/or boarding facility:	
For purposes of license fee computation, fee is based on 75 percent of the total capacity of the animal facility or the actual animal population housed at the time of the inspection, whichever is greater.	
(i) 4-20 dogs or cats	\$225.00
(ii) 21-50 dogs or cats	<u>\$</u> 275.00
(iii) 51-75 dogs or cats	\$325.00
(iv) 76-100 dogs or cats	<u>\$</u> 375.00
(v) over 100 dogs or cats	<u>\$</u> 450.00
2. A Ddelinquency charge for annual license renewal equivalent to the cost	
of the license, will be added to the license fee if the renewal is submitted more	
than 10 calendar days past the expiration date of a license, or if a license	
application was not otherwise timely submitted equal to the cost of the license	
will be added if the license application or renewal is not submitted within 30	

days after the due date.	
3. Fee reduction for each additional animal facility renewal application made at the same location at the same time.	<u>\$</u> 50.00
C. Miscellaneous fee provisions:	
1. Re-inspection	<u>\$</u> 40.00
2. Inspection fee for animal permits under Los Angeles County Code Sections 22.52.330 and 22.56.420—22.56.530	<u>\$</u> 50.00
3. Businesses using dogs for protection (Sections 10.20.280 and 10.20.290)	<u>\$</u> 50.00
4. Penalty for ownership of wild animal without license	<u>\$</u> 100.00

FOOTNOTES FOR TITLE 10

- 11. For statutory provisions on animal diseases, see Food and Agric. Code § 9101 et seq.
- 13. Editor's note: Ordinance 1415, on animal health, was expanded and amended in its entirety by Ord. 8397; however, some sections originally found in Ord. 1415 were not carried forward by Ord. 8397, as follows:

Section	Ordinance History
1.5	Added by 5842 § 1, 1952.
7	In 1415.

8	In 1415.
10	In 1415.
111/2	Added by 1570 § 2, 1928; amended by 1865 § 1, 1930; 4501 § 1, 1945; 5860 § 10002, 1951.
17	In 1415.
17B	Added by 1436 § 1, 1926.
31	Renumbered from § 19 by 4442 § 1, 1945.

These section numbers and the ordinances affecting them have never been repealed. For sections carried forward by Ord. 8397, for example § 2 of Ord. 1415, the legislative history note incorporates all ordinances affecting that section, whether or not the subject matter is the same.

- 15. For statutory provisions on bovine tuberculosis, see Food and Agric. Code § 9901 et seq.
- 17. For statutory provisions on reports of animal diseases, see Food and Agric.Code § 9101.
- For statutory provisions on the identification of apiaries, see Food and Agric.
 Code § 29245.

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